

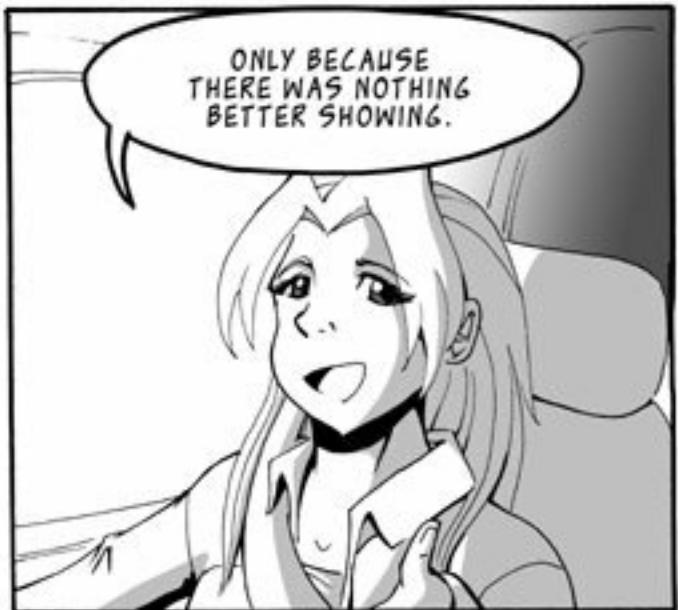
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I'M GOING TO MISS
COMING UP HERE.

SAME HERE...
ESPECIALLY WITH YOU
MOVING AWAY TO A
HICK TOWN AND ALL.

OKAY, IT IS *NOT* A HICK TOWN.
IT'S A VERY PROMINENT TOWN THAT
JUST HAPPENS TO BE IN THE
COUNTRY.

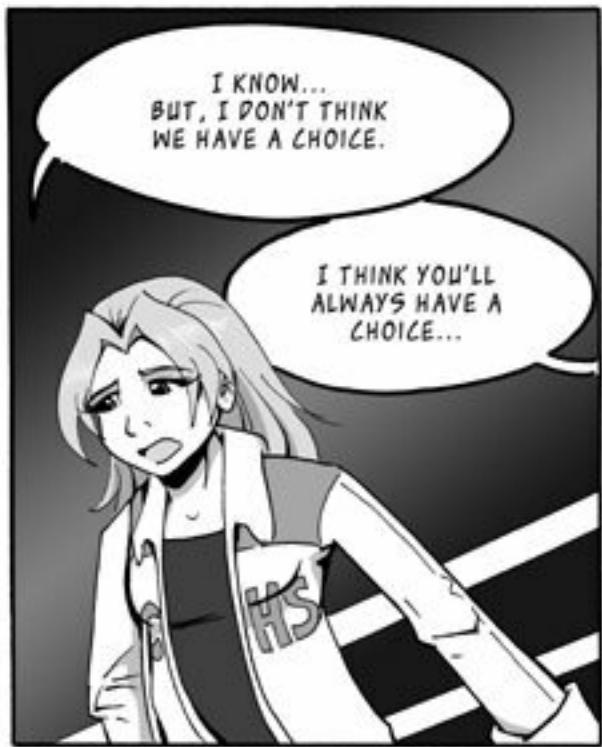
YEAH,
A HICK
TOWN.

IT STILL HASN'T
HIT ME THAT WE'RE MOVING
TOMORROW...THAT I'LL BE
STARTING A COMPLETELY NEW
SCHOOL IN TWO DAYS...

...AND THAT
YOU'RE NOT GOING
TO BE THERE.

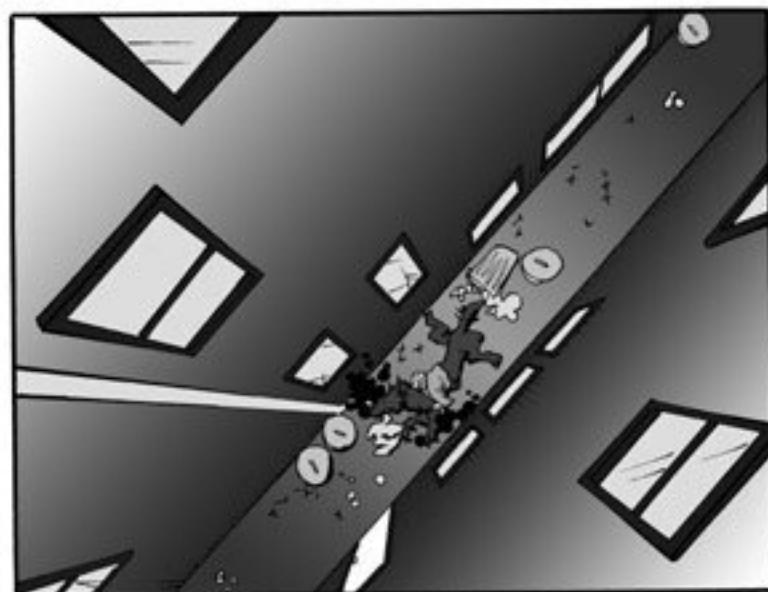
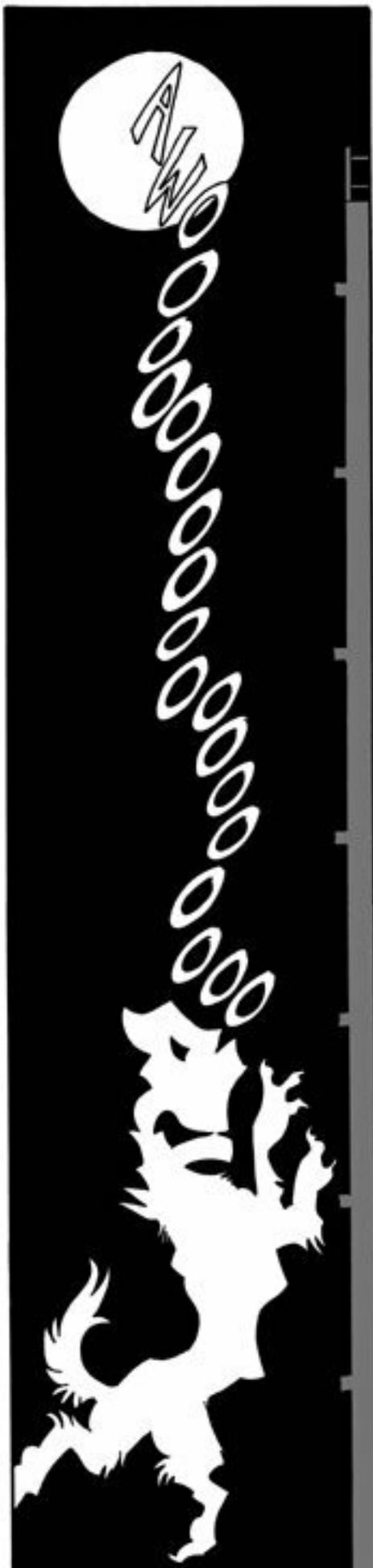
I PROMISED
I'D COME AND
VISIT YOU.

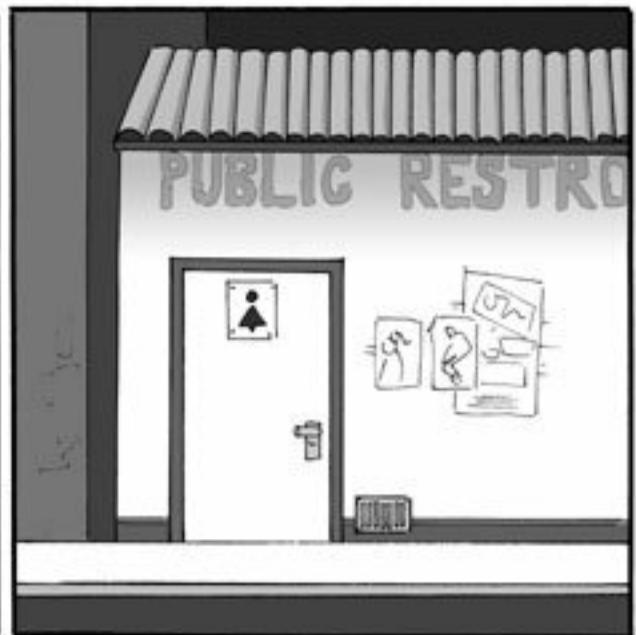
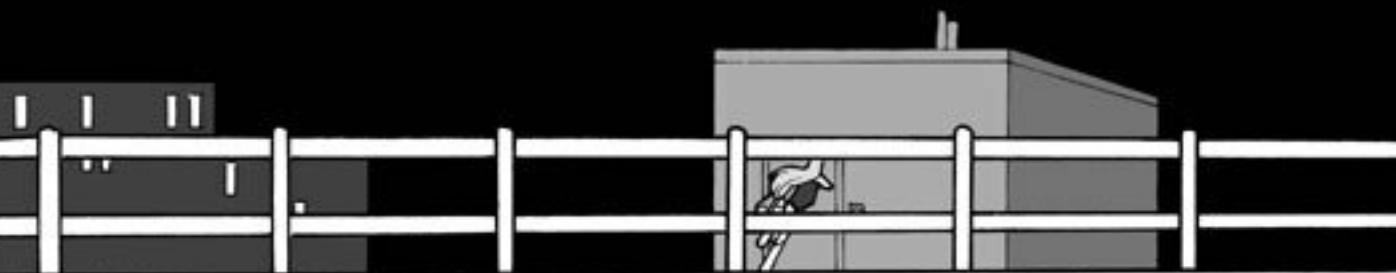
I JUST THINK...
IT'S NOT THE SAME.
LONG-DISTANCE
RELATIONSHIPS
ARE HARD.











WHY DID
HE DO THAT
TO ME?...

WHAT THE HECK
JUST HAPPENED? HE
TURNED INTO A WOLF
RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME...

...AND HOW
DID HE
DO THAT?

I DON'T
CARE, IF HE'S
GONE NOW. I CAN'T
TELL ANYONE WHAT
HAPPENED, OR THEY'LL
THINK I'M CRAZY.

I JUST
HOPE I'M NOT
ACTUALLY CRAZY...

...HE WAS
A WEREWOLF?

BUT THAT'S
IMPOSSIBLE! AND
WHAT COULD HE HAVE
WANTED?



KYLIE
SHOULD'VE
BEEN BACK
BY NOW.

VIRGIL
MOVING

IT'S THEIR LAST NIGHT
OUT, DEAR. YOU COULD LET
THEM ENJOY THEMSELVES
THIS ONCE.

YOU REMEMBER HOW
I GOT THAT BAD FEELING ABOUT
HER OLD BOYFRIEND, AND THEN
SHE CAME HOME CRYING?

I'M GETTING THAT
SAME BAD FEELING
WITH DOUG.

IF YOU HAVE ALL
THIS NEGATIVE ENERGY, YOU
COULD CHANNEL IT INTO
HELPING ME WITH THESE...

AT
LEAST IN
ONESIMUS
SHE'LL
FINALLY
MEET
SOME NICE
CHRISTIAN
BOYS...



IT'S KYLIE!



WHAT HAPPENED
TO YOU? YOU'RE
BLEEDING!

WHERE'S
DOUG?

HE, UM...
WE...

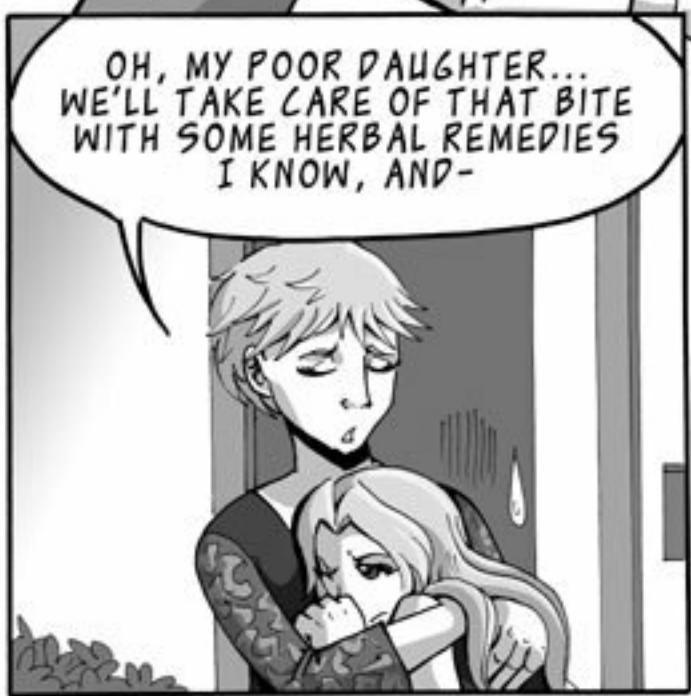




WE GOT ATTACKED BY THIS BIG PIT BULL. IT BIT MY ARM... DOUG GOT SCARED AND RAN OFF.

THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED? HE DIDN'T TRY TO HURT YOU?

NO...



OH, MY POOR DAUGHTER... WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT BITE WITH SOME HERBAL REMEDIES I KNOW, AND-

NO, I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT.



KYLIE, DON'T
BE RIDICULOUS. WE
NEED TO TREAT THAT!

IT'S JUST
A SCRATCH,
LEAVE ME
ALONE!

SLAM!



THE NEXT MORNING...

HOW ARE YOU DOING?

MY ARM IS FINE.

HOW ABOUT THE REST OF YOU?

NOT SO GOOD.



IT'S JUST MOVING JITTERS. YOU'LL FEEL BETTER ONCE WE'RE SETTLED AT THE NEW PLACE.

WELL, LAST NIGHT DIDN'T HELP ANY...

DOUG WAS COMPLETELY WRONG FOR YOU. HIS ACTIONS LAST NIGHT PROVED IT.



I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE WAS...



I'M GLAD YOU'LL BE ATTENDING THIS NEW CHRISTIAN SCHOOL, KYLIE. YOU'LL FINALLY MEET SOME BOYS WHO HAVE THEIR VALUES STRAIGHT.



I THINK ANY GUYS THERE WOULD BE TOO GOOD FOR ME. NATALIE'S TOLD ME HORROR STORIES ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SHE WENT TO... THEY'RE ALL REALLY CLIQUISH AND THINK THEY'RE BETTER THAN EVERYONE.

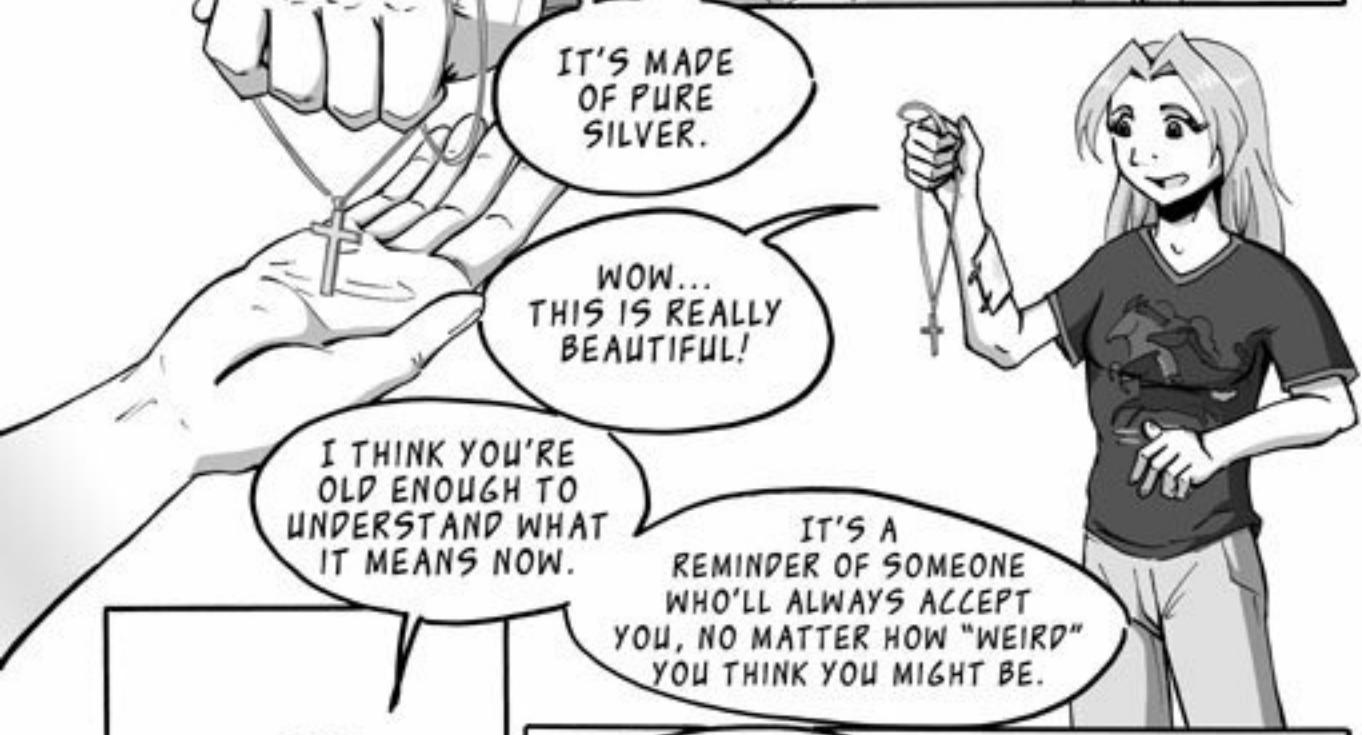
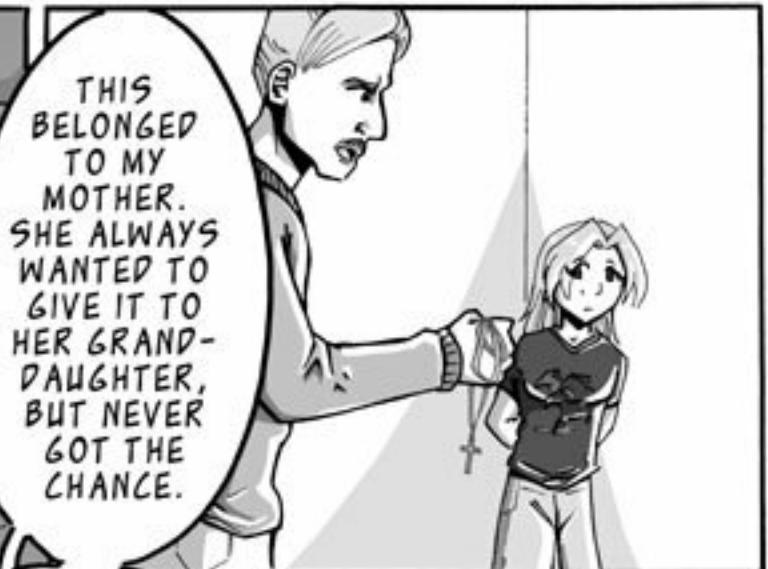
I'M AFRAID THAT'LL HAPPEN AT THIS SCHOOL, TOO.

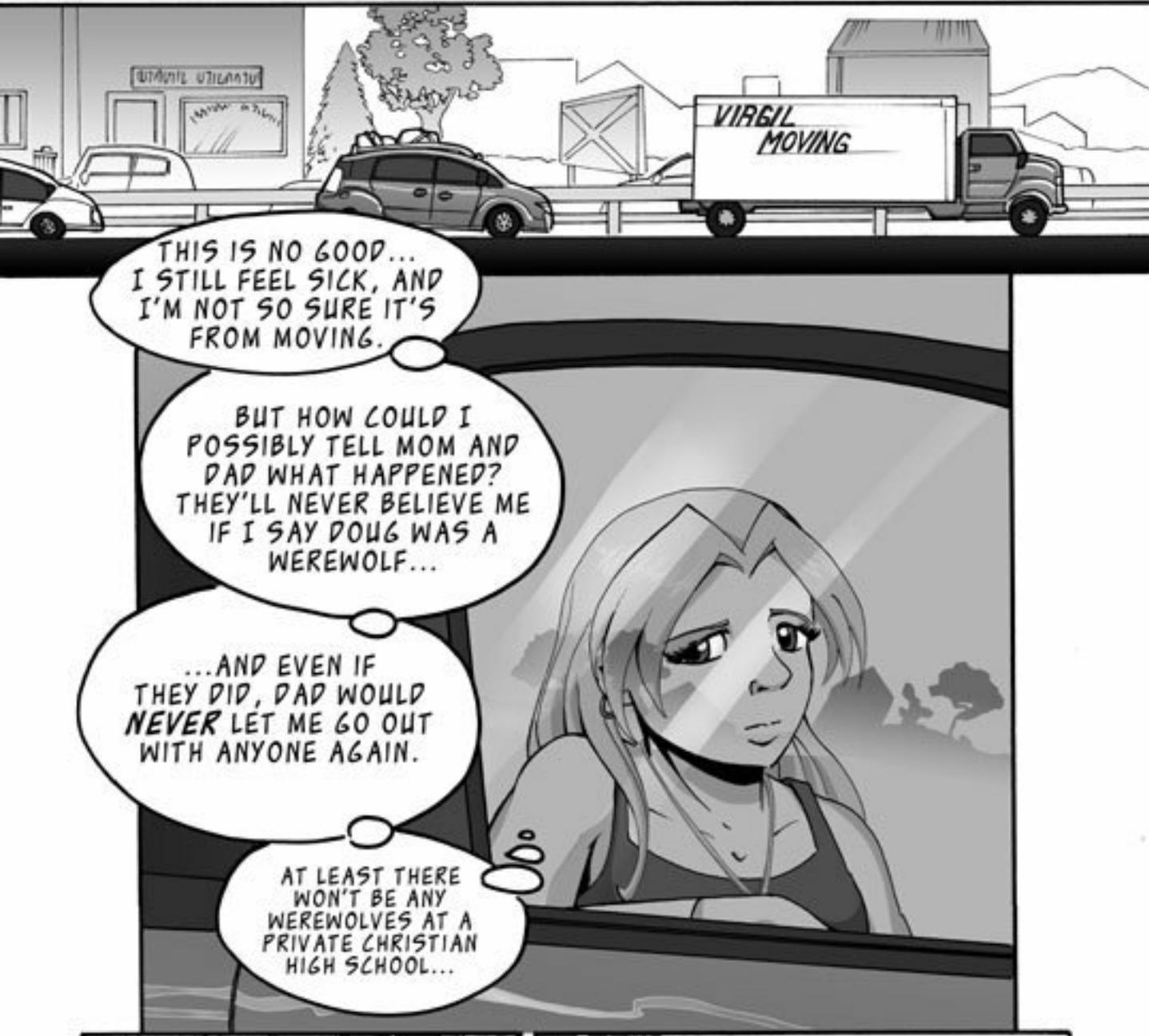


OF COURSE NOT! NO ONE THERE IS BETTER THAN YOU, KYLIE. YOU'LL FIT IN FINE.



I'LL BELIEVE IT WHEN I SEE IT.





THAT EVENING...

I'M REALLY TIRED
AFTER ALL THAT DRIVING...
I'M GONNA GO TAKE
A WALK.

MAKE SURE
YOU'RE BACK IN TIME
TO GET A GOOD NIGHT'S
SLEEP.

WOW...IT *IS* A LOT MORE
WILD AROUND HERE.



WOAH...



WUGA...



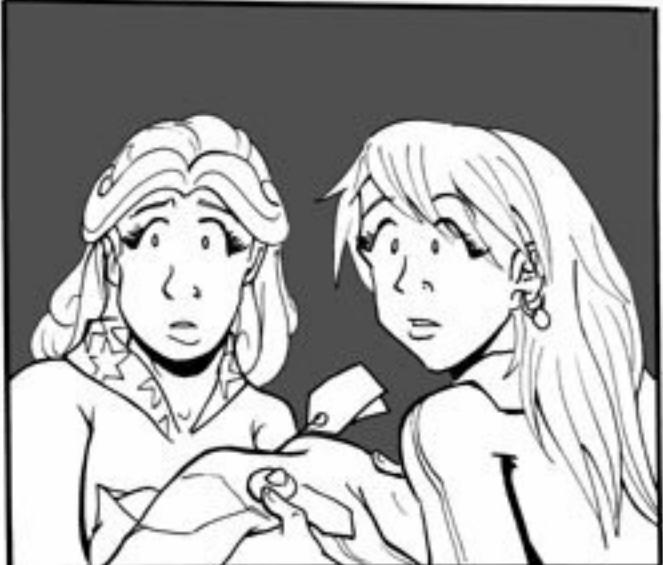
AAHHHHH!



RRRRRRRRRRRRRR...







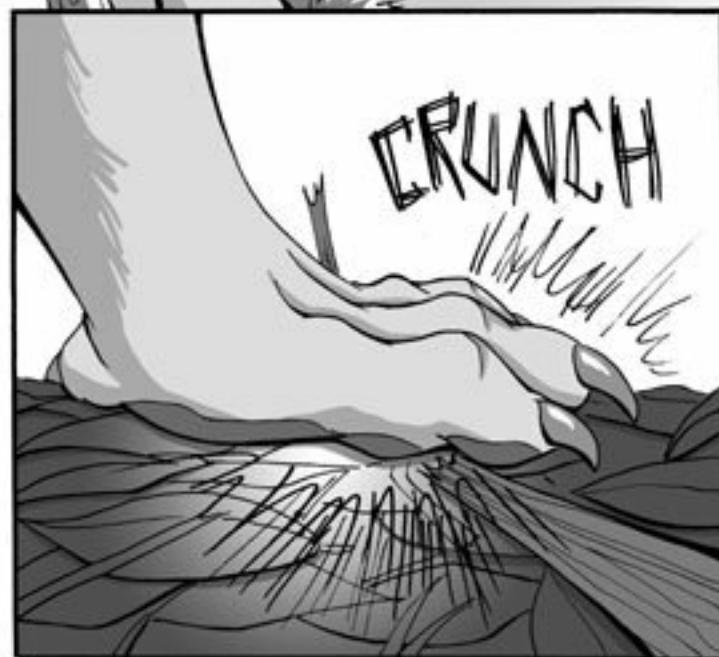


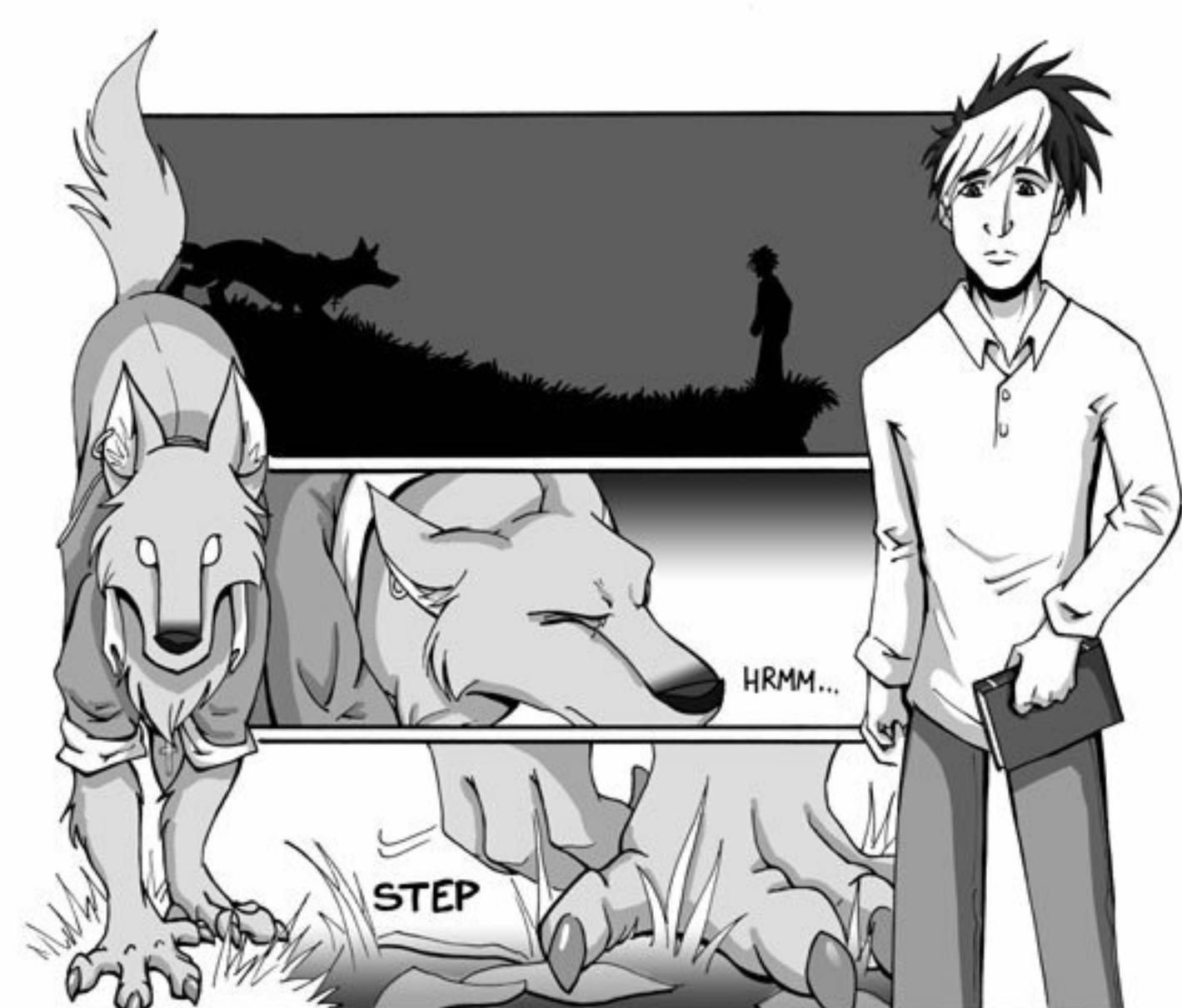
OHMIGOD,
WHAT IS THAT?!



OHMIGOD
OHMIGOD
RUN!







THE NEXT MORNING...



BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP BE—

SWEETIE,
GET UP! IT'S THE
FIRST DAY OF YOUR
SOPHOMORE YEAR! TIME
TO GROW AND
FLOURISH!

I DUNWANNA
FLOW AN'
GRURISH...

NO EXCUSES.
THIS IS A NEW SCHOOL,
AND YOU'LL WANT TO
MAKE A GOOD FIRST
IMPRESSION.

GUHHHHH...



THAT'S
BETTER.
I'LL HAVE
BREAKFAST
FOR YOU
DOWN-
STAIRS.



I SUPPOSE IT'S TOO MUCH TO ASK FOR LUCKY CHARMS ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.

LUCKY CHARMS HAVE HYDROGENATED CORN OIL. WHAT YOU NEED IS FIBER AND PROTEIN.



I DON'T WANT YOU STAYING OUT THAT LATE AGAIN WITHOUT TELLING US.

JUST BECAUSE THIS ISN'T THE CITY DOESN'T MEAN IT'S ANY SAFER. UNDERSTAND?

YES,
YES...

WHAT EXACTLY DID I DO LAST NIGHT?

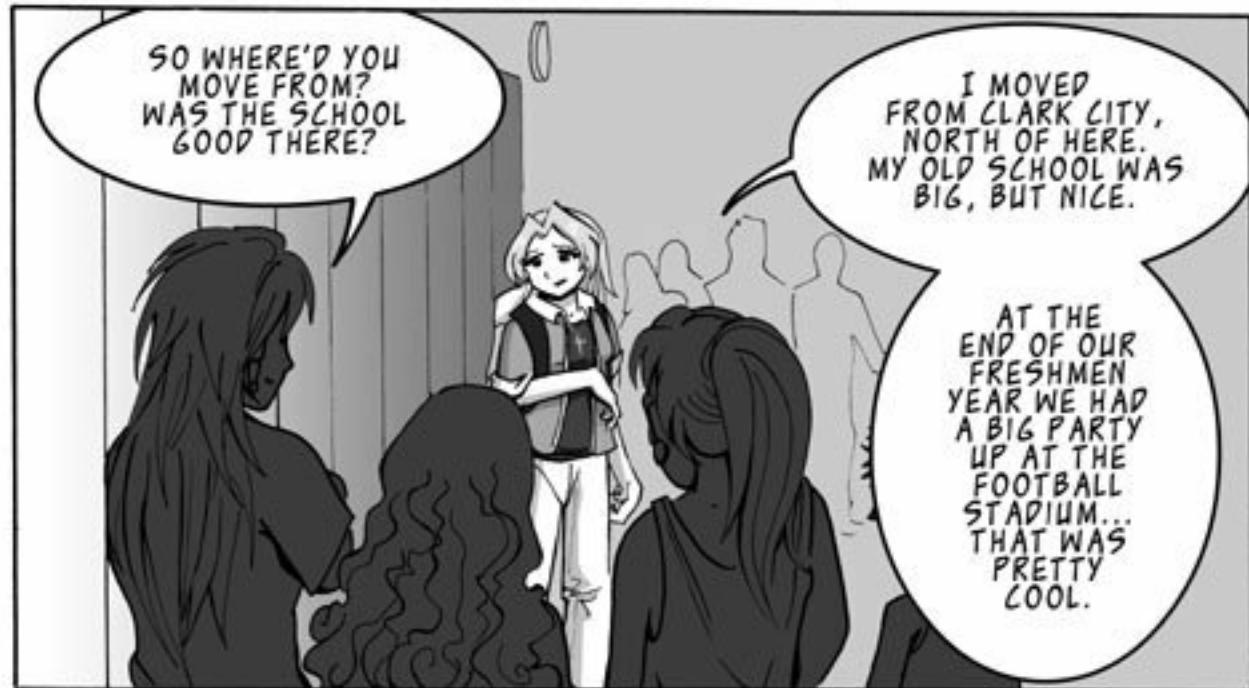
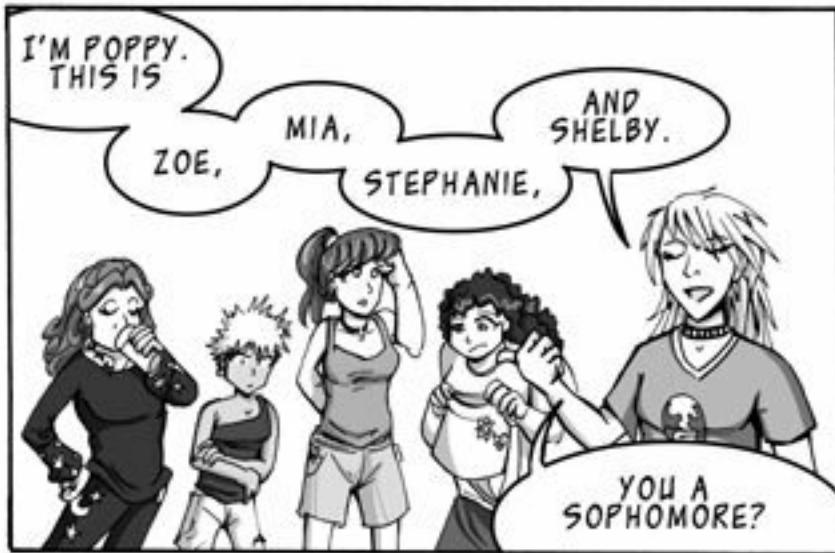
LATER...

YOU'LL DO GREAT, SWEETIE!
I'LL PICK YOU UP AT THREE.

YEAH,
I'LL SEE
YOU THEN.







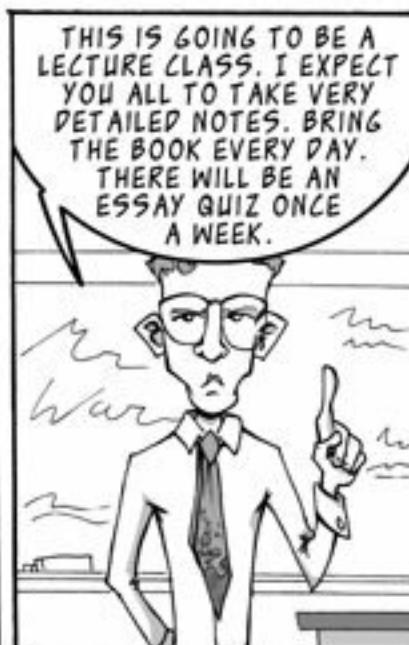
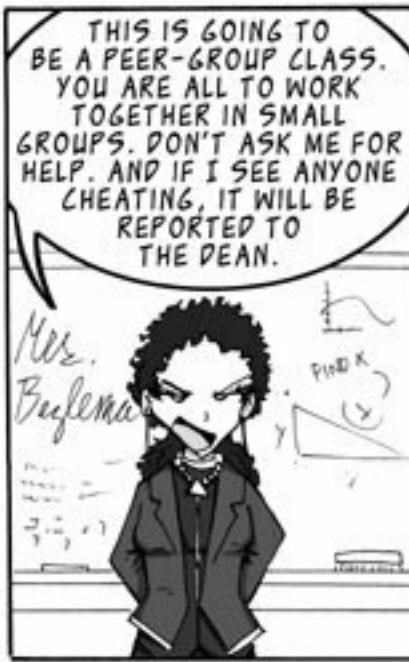
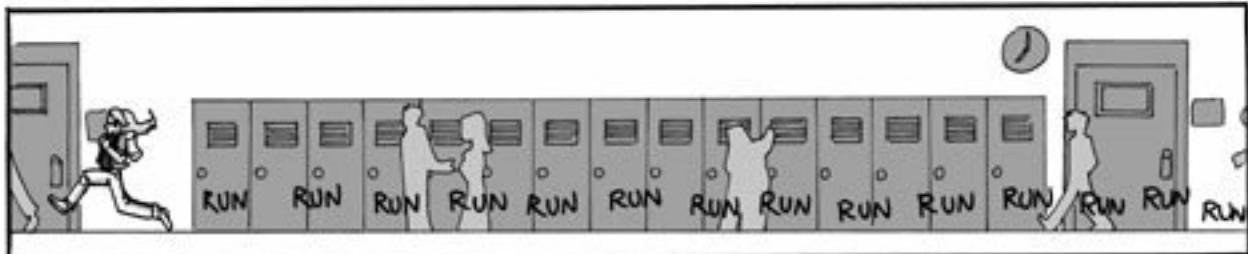
OMIGOSH, DO YOU REMEMBER THAT ONE TIME WHEN MATT WAS SINGING AND AMANDA SNORTED ORANGE SODA LIKE ALL OVER THE TENT?

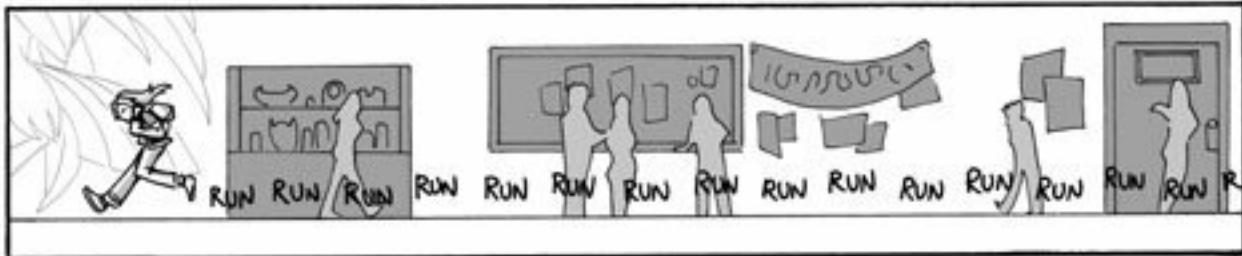
OH, THAT WAS THE FUNNIEST THING EVER. AND THEN THE COUNSELOR CAME IN AND WAS LIKE...?

AND THAT THING WITH THE CERRIOS? ...

WELL, TODAY IS CERTAINLY OFF TO A FABULOUS START...

AND LET'S NOT MAKE THINGS WORSE BY BEING LATE THE FIRST DAY!





- LUNCH -



...SO LAST
NIGHT WE WERE OUT
IN THE WOODS, AND THIS
HUGE WOLF COMES OUT
AND CHASES US!

OHMIGOSH,
ARE YOU
SERIOUS?!

YES, IT WAS
LIKE, GROWLING, AND
IT LATCHED ONTO
MY CAR AND
STUFF!

I SERIOUSLY
THOUGHT WE WERE
GOING TO DIE.

YOU DIDN'T
TELL YOUR
PARENTS?

NO WAY, THEY'D
KILL ME IF THEY FOUND OUT
I WASN'T STUDYING AT
MATT'S PLACE...

I WAS
SERIOUSLY
SOOOOOO
SCARED...



I DON'T CARE
WHAT MOM AND DAD SAY...
IT'S JUST NOT WORKING OUT
HERE. EVERYTHING FEELS SO...
UNWELCOME.

AND THIS SICK
FEELING ISN'T
GOING AWAY...

HEY
THERE!

MIND IF I
SIT HERE?

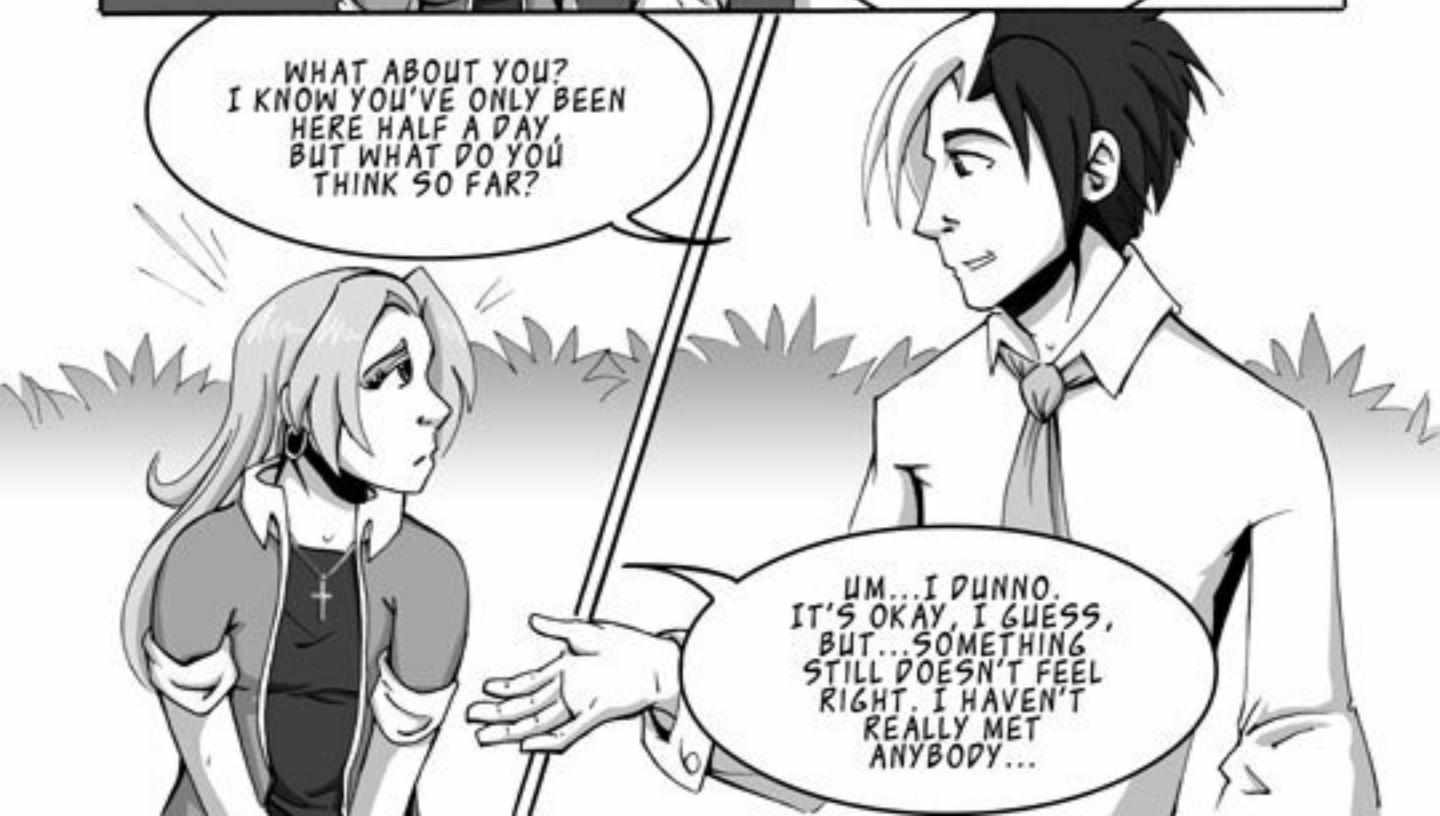
UM...
SURE.

KYLIE LARLIATH.
I JUST MOVED HERE
FROM CLARK CITY.

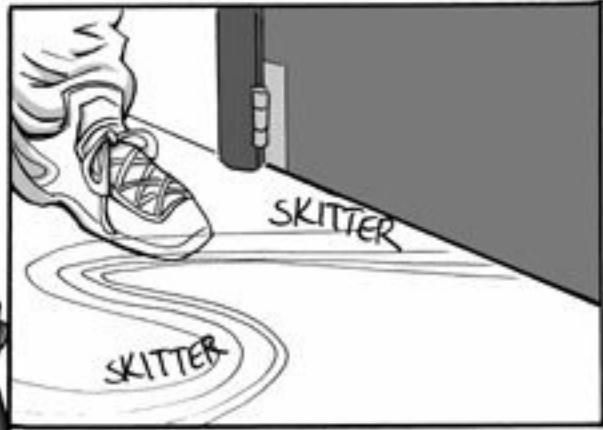
I DON'T THINK
I'VE MET YOU BEFORE.
WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

I'M GALEN SKYLAR.
IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU.

SAME HERE.
DO YOU GO HERE,
TOO?







GOTCHA,
YOU LITTLE
REBEL!

HI!
HAVE WE
MET?

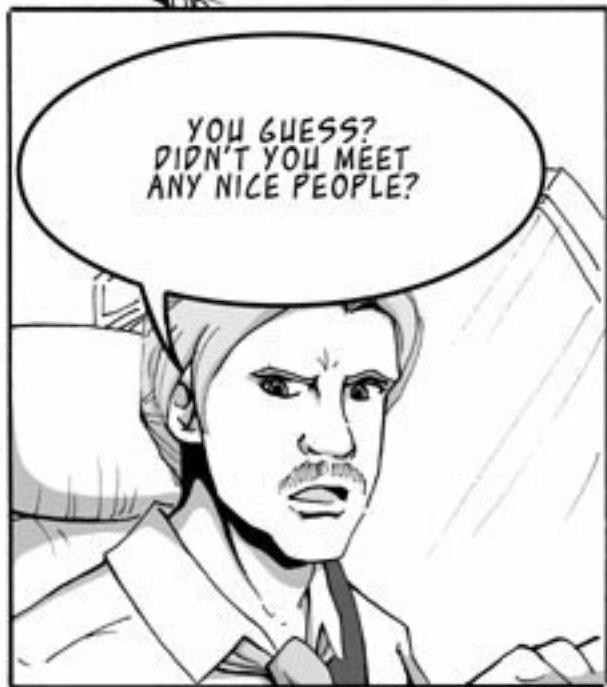
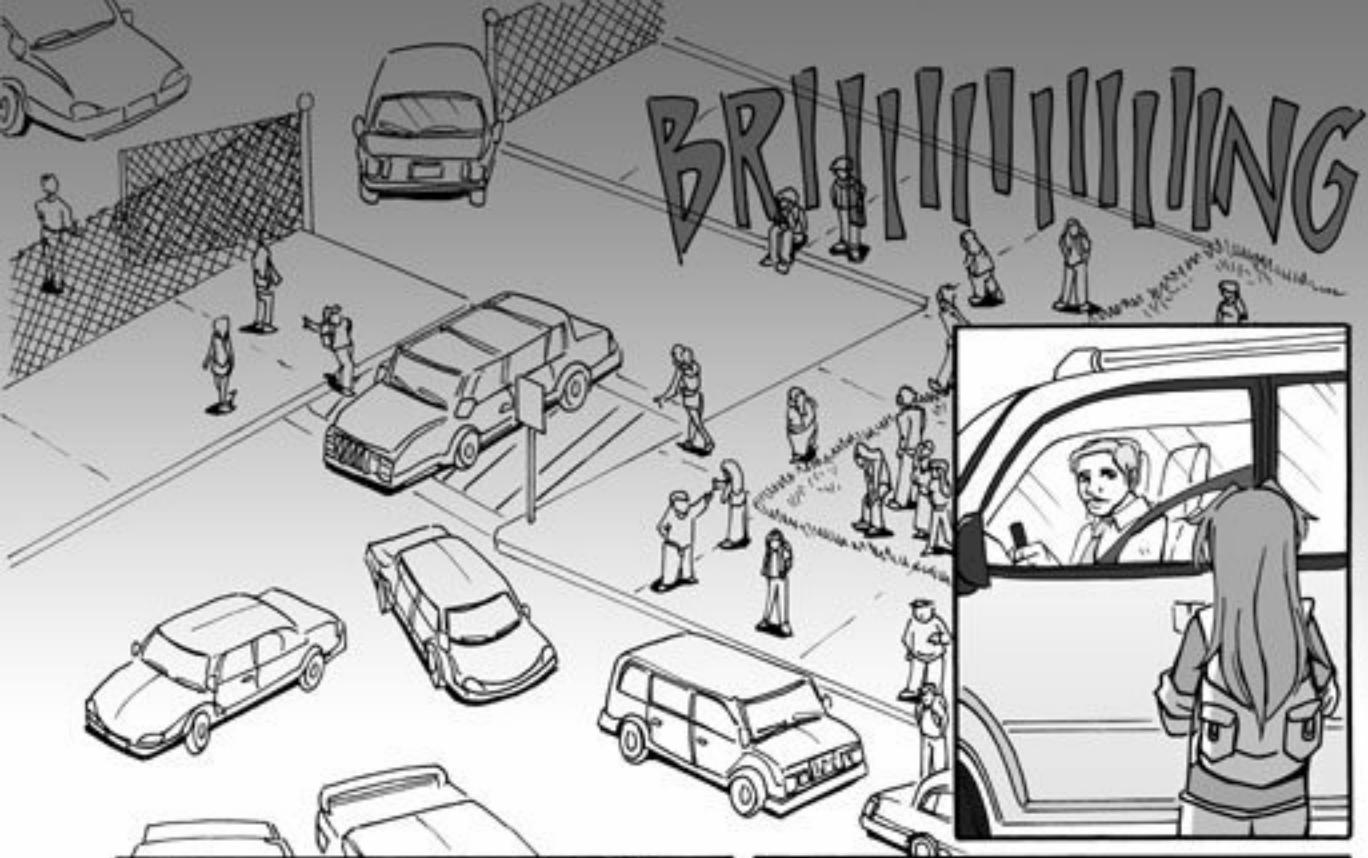
NO...

I'M ANDI! MAD SCIENTIST
AND BIOLOGIST EXTRAORDINAIRE!

OOPS...

SKITTER SKITTER SKITTER SKITTER

YOU'VE HAD ALL
YOUR SHOTS, RIGHT?





THE GUY SAID
THERE WAS SOME
KIND OF BACK-TO-SCHOOL
DEVO TOMORROW
NIGHT...

THAT'S IT?
YOU DIDN'T MEET
ANYONE ELSE?

THEN YOU
SHOULD DEFINITELY
GO. IT WOULD BE GOOD
FOR YOU TO MEET SOME
FRIENDS IN A NON-ACADEMIC
SETTING.

BUT I JUST
DON'T KNOW... I DON'T
THINK I CAN JUST
MAGICALLY MAKE FRIENDS
WITH EVERYONE AFTER
ONE DEVO.

WE TALKED ABOUT THIS.
I FEEL THAT A SPIRITUAL
BASIS IS AN IMPORTANT PART
OF YOUR EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL LIFE. THIS DEVO
WOULD BE THE BEST
PLACE TO START.

...YEAH, SURE.

NEXT EVENING...

HEY COOL, YOU
DECIDED TO COME!
YOU CAN RIDE IN MY
VAN, IF YOU WANT.

SURE
THING.

**SUMMIT
PARK**







WHA...WHAT'S
HAPPENING...



KYLIE?
ARE YOU OKAY?



NO, NOT!-



HEY
WAIT!

NO!

I'M NOT...
I DON'T
KNOW!....

KYLIE?...

WHAT HAPPENED
TO YOU?

I-I DON'T KNOW!
I WAS JUST SITTING
AND THERE WAS THE
MOON, AND I STARTED
FEELING WEIRD AND ALL
THIS STARTED HAPPENING
SO FAST...

ARE YOU A...
WEREWOLF?



I...DIDN'T THINK
SO, BUT THEN DOUG...
HE WAS A WOLF AND...
DID HE MAKE ME
ONE, TOO?!

WOAH, SLOW
DOWN. WHAT
HAPPENED,
EXACTLY?

RIGHT BEFORE
I MOVED HERE, MY
OLD BOYFRIEND TOOK
ME OUT. AND THEN HE...
TURNED INTO A WOLF
AND BIT ME.



I DIDN'T BELIEVE
IT AT FIRST;
I THOUGHT NOTHING
WOULD COME OF IT...

WHY
DIDN'T YOU
TELL ANYONE?

BECAUSE HE FELL
OFF THE ROOF OF A TALL BUILDING
AND DIED! I THOUGHT IT WAS
JUST A NIGHTMARE...



WELL...
HEY, IT'LL
BE OKAY...

HOW?!
I'VE TURNED
INTO SOME
KIND OF
MONSTER!

BUT YOU'RE
STILL YOURSELF,
AREN'T YOU?



WELL, I...



I NEVER
THOUGHT THAT
WEREWOLVES ACTUALLY
EXISTED...

BUT I
DON'T
WANT
TO BE A
WEREWOLF!

DO YOU
KNOW HOW
TO FIX IT?

NO...

DOES ANYONE
ELSE KNOW YOU'RE
A WEREWOLF?

I DIDN'T EVEN
KNOW UNTIL NOW...



BUT I
CAN'T LET
ANYONE
KNOW!
PLEASE
PROMISE
YOU WON'T
TELL ANYONE
WHAT
HAPPENED!

OKAY,
I WON'T.

WELL, I DON'T
THINK IT'S SOMETHING
PEOPLE WILL BELIEVE
WITHOUT SEEING FOR
THEMSELVES...

BUT, IF I'M A WEREWOLF...
DOESN'T THAT MAKE ME EVIL
OR SOMETHING? SHOULDN'T I
BE KICKED OUT OF SCHOOL?



THE NEXT DAY...

ONESIMUS HIGH SCHOOL

HEY! HOW ARE
YOU? DID IT HAPPEN
AGAIN AT HOME?

NO, NOT
AFTER I CHANGED
BACK LAST NIGHT.

WELL, AT
LEAST THAT'S
GOOD!

GOOD?!
I COULDN'T
SLEEP AT
ALL LAST
NIGHT!
I JUST
KEPT
THINKING...

WHAT IF
I END UP
HURTING
SOMEONE
WITHOUT
EVEN
KNOWING
IT?

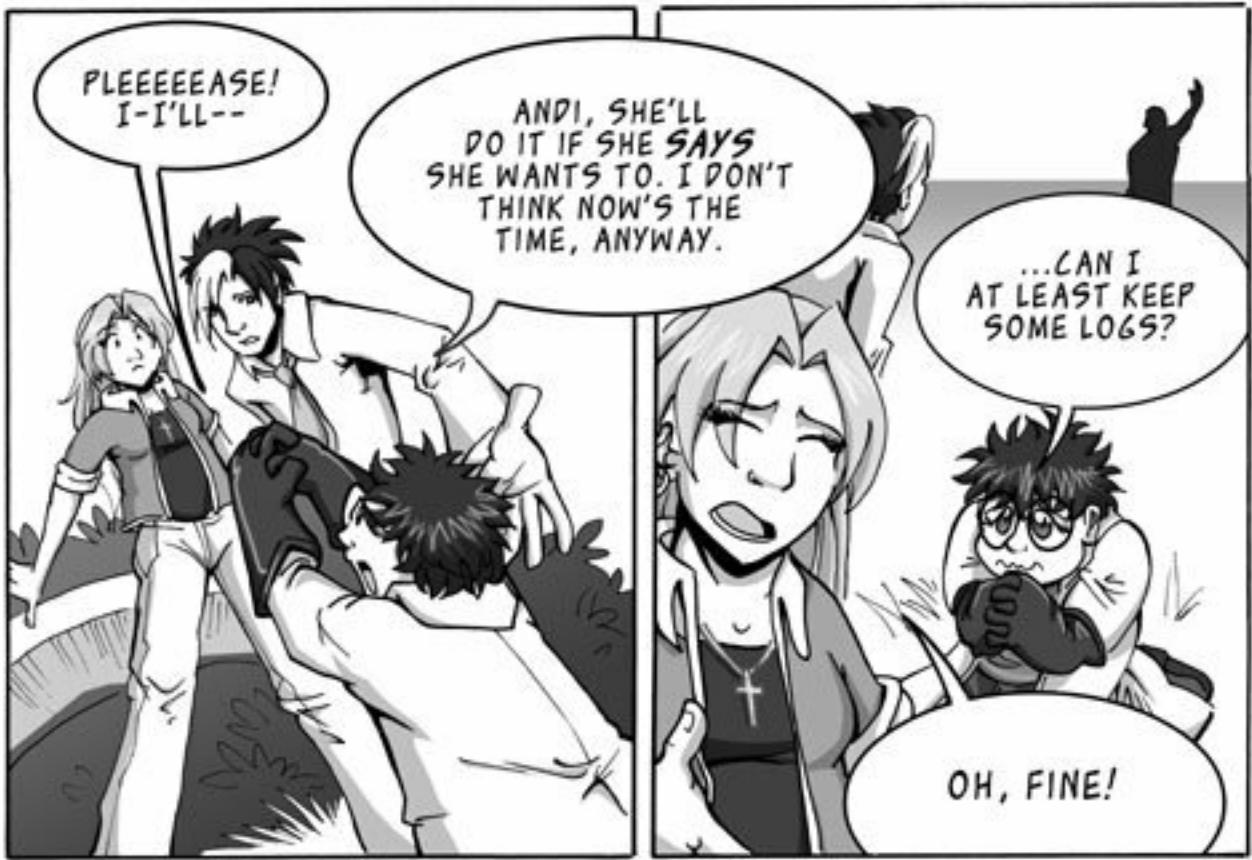
I THINK FIRST YOU NEED TO FIGURE OUT WHAT TRIGGERS BECOMING A WOLF. THAT WILL INDICATE WHAT YOU CAN AND CAN'T CONTROL.



I DON'T SEE HOW YOU CAN BE SO CALM! I'M COMPLETELY FREAKED OUT ABOUT BEING A WEREWOLF!









WELL, I FEEL
LIKE GOD HAS GIVEN
ME THE OPPORTUNITY
TO REALLY CHANGE SOME
LIVES FOR THE BETTER.
AND BEST OF ALL, I'M
NOT AFRAID OF THIS
OPPORTUNITY.

SO YOU
THINK YOU'LL BE
READY FOR THE
INTERNSHIP NEXT
SUMMER?

I THINK
THIS IS GOING
TO BE A GOOD
YEAR.

YEAH.





SO! DIDN'T DO
THE READING FOR
CLASS, I SEE.



IT'S REALLY GOOD.
IT'S PART OF A TRILOGY...
I SPENT ALL WEEKEND
READING IT.

YOU SPENT ALL
WEEKEND
READING?

...SOMETHING
WRONG WITH
THAT?

I SPENT
SATURDAY
VISITING
THE OLD FOLKS'
HOME. YOU
SHOULD REALLY
SPEND SOME
TIME WITH
ESTHER...
SHE'S SO
SWEET!

THAT'S...
NICE...

OPEN YOUR BOOKS
TO PAGE SIXTY-FOUR,
WHERE WE LEFT OFF
FROM THURSDAY...

IF YOU'LL RECALL, THE EARLY
MIDDLE AGES IN CENTRAL EUROPE,
WHICH WERE RIFE WITH SUPERSTITION
AND SUSPICION, WITH NO HOLY ROMAN
EMPIRE TO DICTATE, THE PEASANTS
OF GERMANY, SWITZERLAND AND...

FIRST PERIOD ENDS...

WHAT DID
ALL THAT
MEAN?
THAT IF I
LIKE READING
FANTASY
NOVELS, I'M
NOT A GOOD
CHRISTIAN?

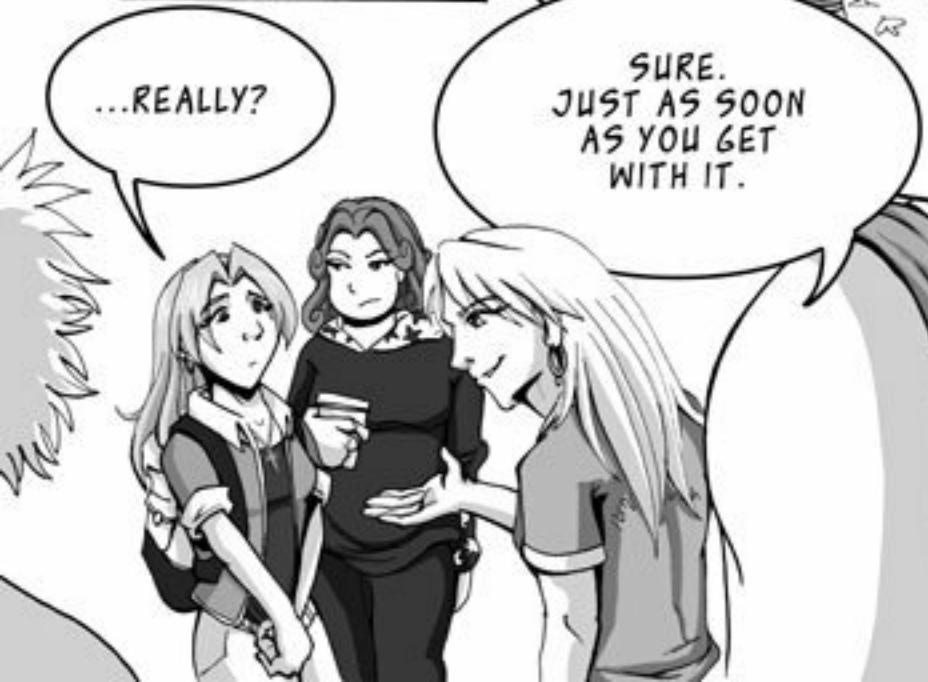
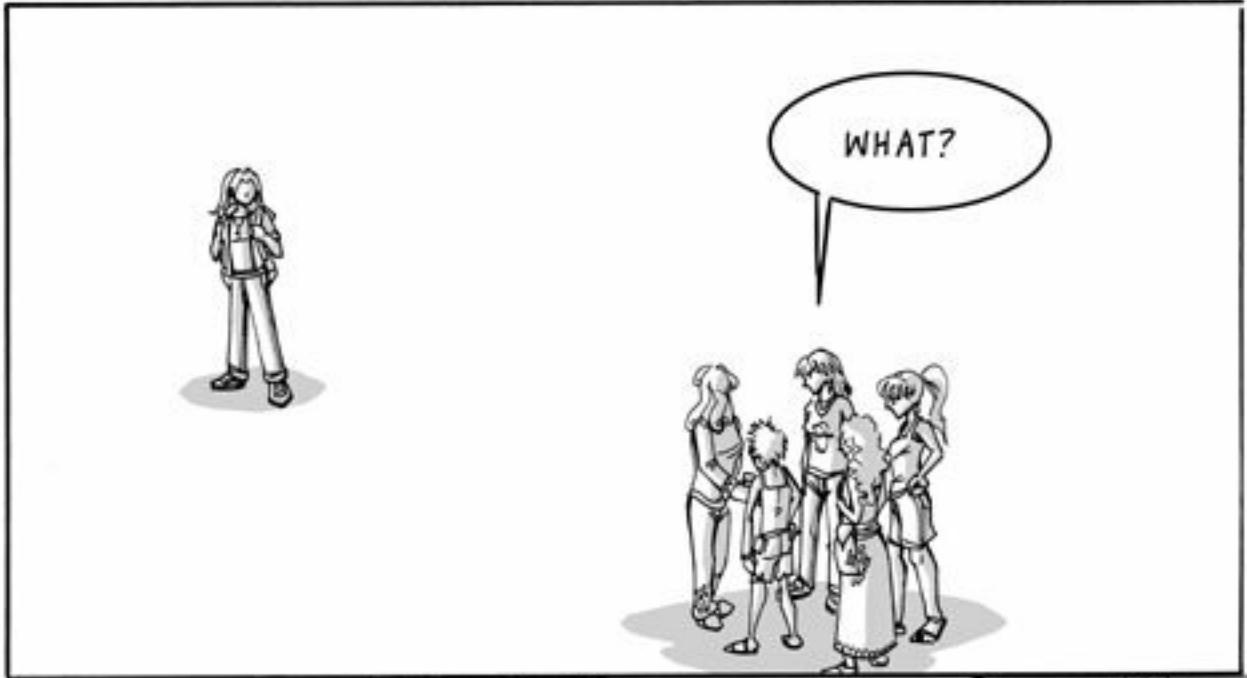
WHY DO
THEY CARE?
WHY IS
THEIR
OPINION SO
IMPORTANT
AROUND
HERE?

SO YOUR DAD'S
GONNA TELL DR. SKYLAR
TO GIVE US SOME MORE
MONEY FOR THE FASHION
CLUB ON CAMPUS, RIGHT?

OH YEAH,
AS LONG AS WE
MENTION UPPING THE
CAMPUS MINISTRY
BUDGET, IT'LL FLY.

I WISH MY
DAD WAS A
SPONSOR...

OH, YES.
THAT'S WHY.



YOU KNOW...
GET WITH IT. DRESS A
LITTLE NICER, START
TAKING YOUR BIBLE
STUDIES SERIOUSLY.

FANTASY STORIES
AREN'T GOING TO GET
YOU SCHOLARSHIPS,
YOU KNOW.

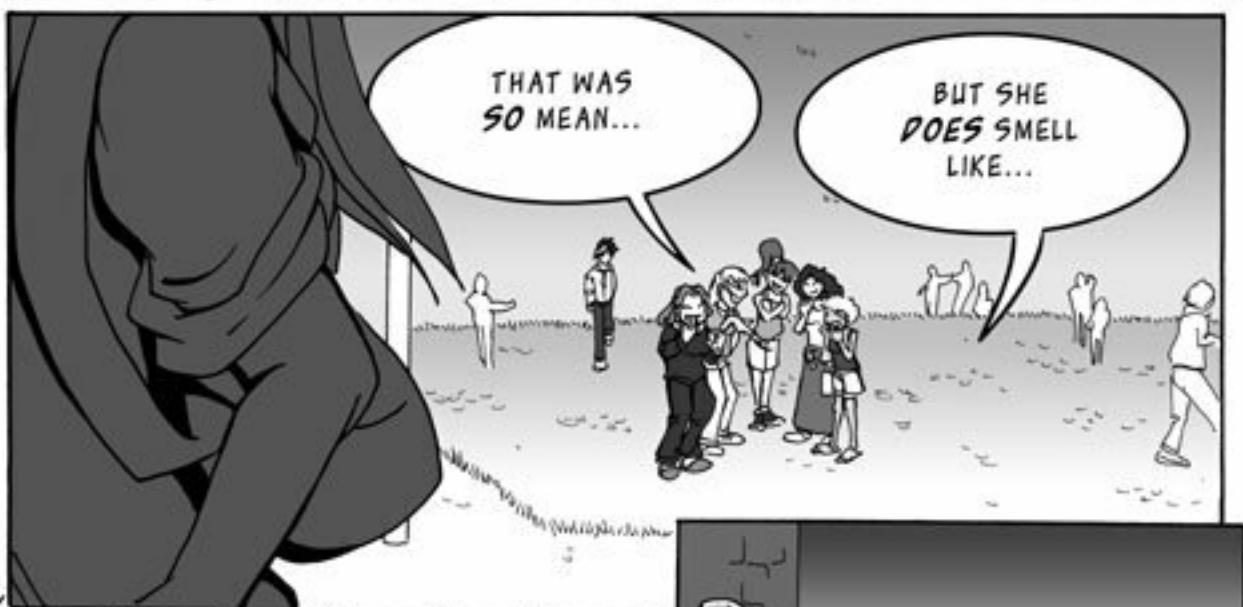
ALSO, START
WASHING YOUR
HANDS AFTER YOU
WALK YOUR DOG.



I DON'T
HAVE
A DOG.

OH, BUT
FROM THE WAY
YOU SMELLED,
I THOUGHT--







THERE
YOU ARE!
I WAS
JUST
GOING
TO--









SEVERAL MINUTES LATER...

HEY, WAIT!

I WANT TO
TALK TO YOU...

LOOK, JUST...
I'M SORRY, OKAY?
I DIDN'T MEAN TO-

I KNOW, I JUST
WANT TO TALK TO YOU.

AND I'M JUST
HERE FOR RESEARCH
PURPOSES.

JUST
LEAVE
ME
ALONE,
OKAY?

SLAP

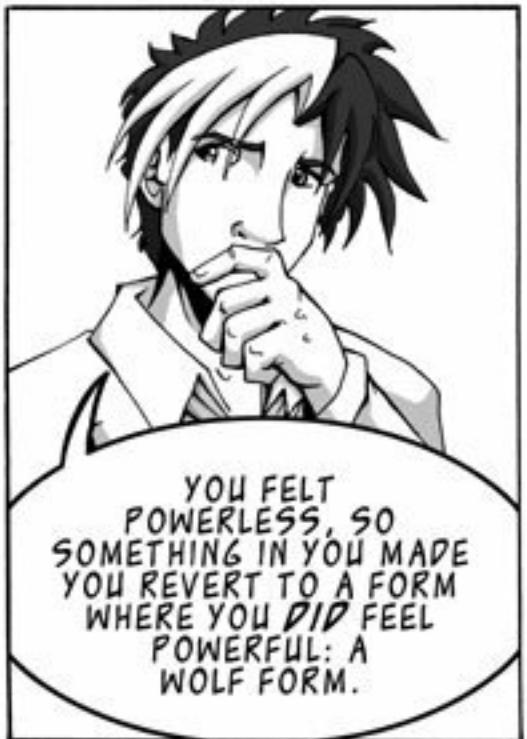
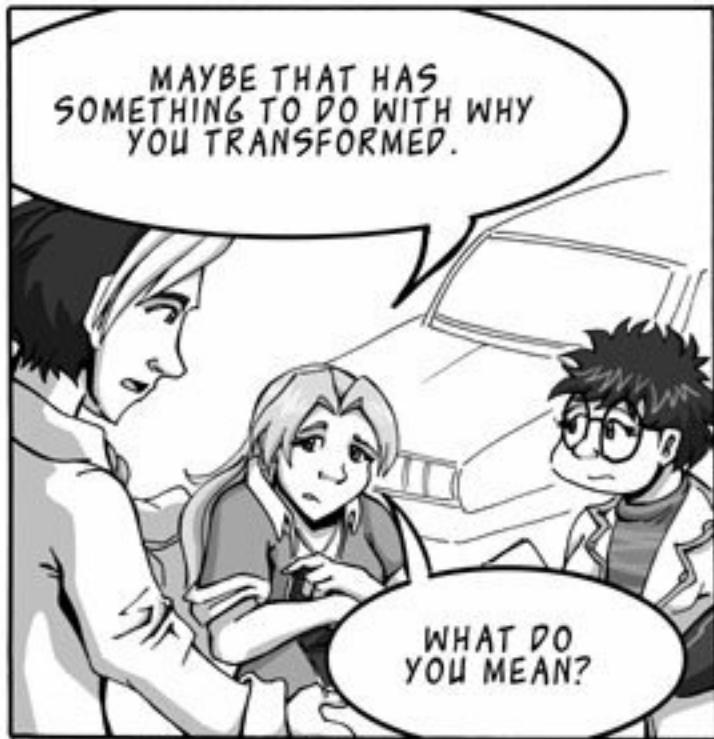
LISTEN, I'M
NOT MAD AT YOU.
I JUST THINK WE
SHOULD FIGURE OUT
WHAT HAPPENED.

TO, YOU KNOW...
PREVENT IT FROM
HAPPENING AGAIN.

BECAUSE GOD FORBID
WE LET SOME SMELLY
WEREWOLF ENDANGER GOOD
CHRISTIAN GIRLS.

DID THOSE
GIRLS SAY
SOMETHING TO
UPSET YOU?

I DON'T
EVEN KNOW
WHAT IT
WAS.
I JUST...
FELT SO
POWERLESS.



WELL,
IF YOU FIND
OUT WHAT
EXACTLY
CAUSES THESE
TRANS-
FORMATIONS,
PERHAPS YOU
CAN FIND A
WAY TO
CONTROL
THEM.

EVEN
CURE THEM.

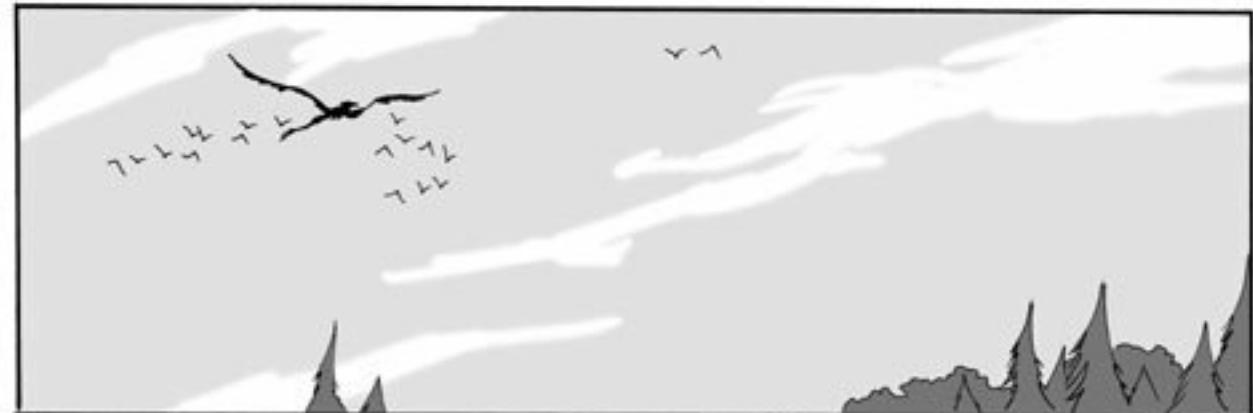
WHAT
WOULD
I HAVE
TO DO
FOR IT?

SIMPLY
ALLOW ME
TO CONDUCT
A FEW
PAINLESS
TESTS ON
YOUR
ABILITIES.

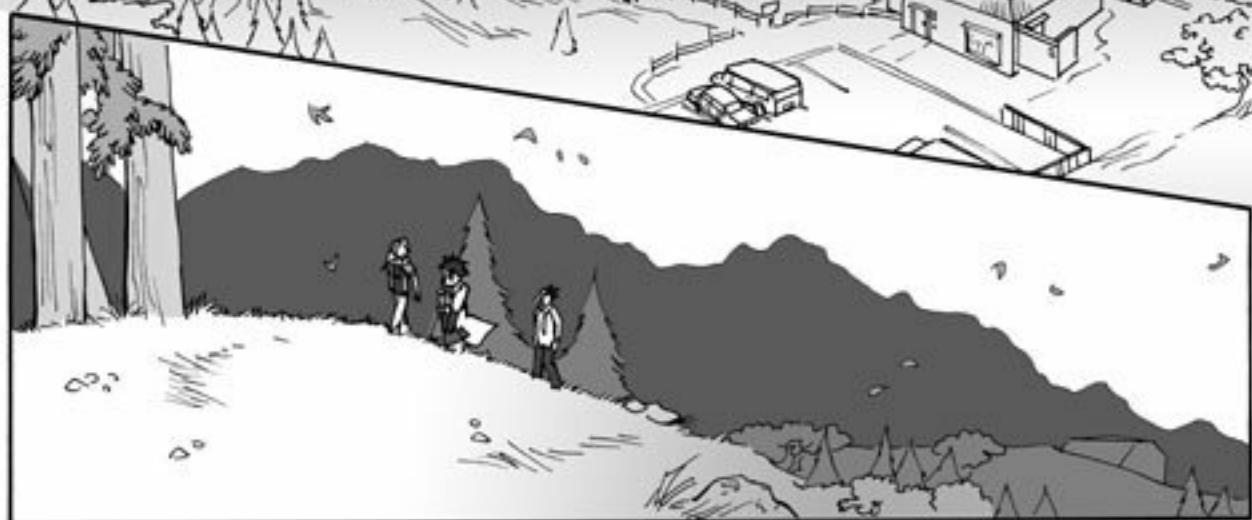
...OKAY.
BUT ONLY IF
HE COMES
ALONG TO
MAKE SURE
YOU DON'T DO
ANYTHING
CRAZY OR
ILLEGAL.

YESSSSSS!...

AND BUY ME
ICE CREAM
AFTERWARDS,
TOO!



THE NEXT DAY...



I THOUGHT YOU WERE
A MAD SCIENTIST.

A SAFETY-
MINDED MAD
SCIENTIST.

SO YOU'RE NOT GOING TO
STRAP ME TO ANY
TABLES, RIGHT?

NOPE!
FIRST I WANT
YOU TO...

RUMMAGE

RUMMAGE



THE TESTS CONTINUE...

CAN YOU
SMELL THIS??

YES...

YES!

CAN YOU HEAR
ME NOW?

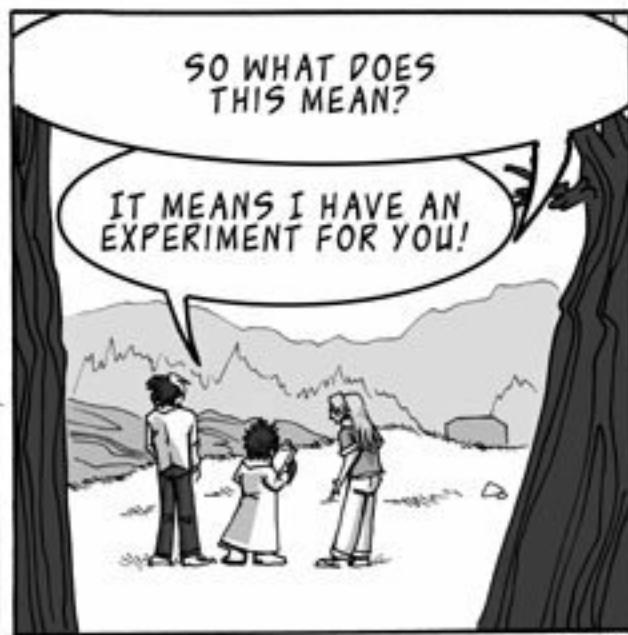
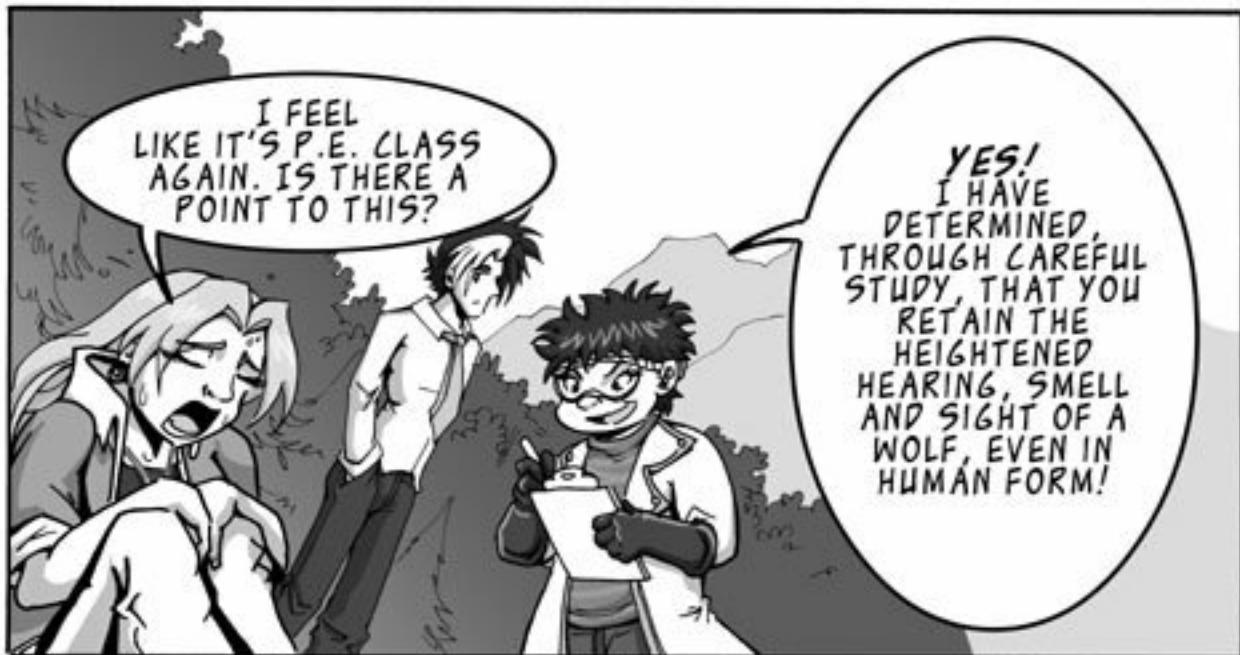
GOOD!

YES!
GO
HIGHER!

CLICK!

HUFF!
HUFF!





I MEAN JUST
THROUGH FORCE
OF WILL. IMAGINE
YOURSELF AS
A WOLF.



SEE, IT
DOESN'T JUST
HAPPEN
LIKE--



TRY AGAIN,
PLEEEASE?

I'LL BUY
YOU A WHOLE
SUNDAE!





HAHAHA, YES,
IT WORKED!

I'M A GENIUS, I TELL YOU!
A GENIUS!

IT LOOKS LIKE
KYLIE WAS
DOING ALL THE
WORK, GENIUS.



BUT SEE?
BECAUSE OF HEIGHTENED
ABILITIES IN HER HUMAN FORM,
KYLIE ALSO HAS CONSCIOUS CONTROL
OVER HER WOLF FORM!



AT LEAST...
SHE DOES
MOST OF THE
TIME!

SO I'M A WOLF
WHETHER I CHOSE TO
BE ONE OR NOT. HOW DOES
THAT HELP ME?

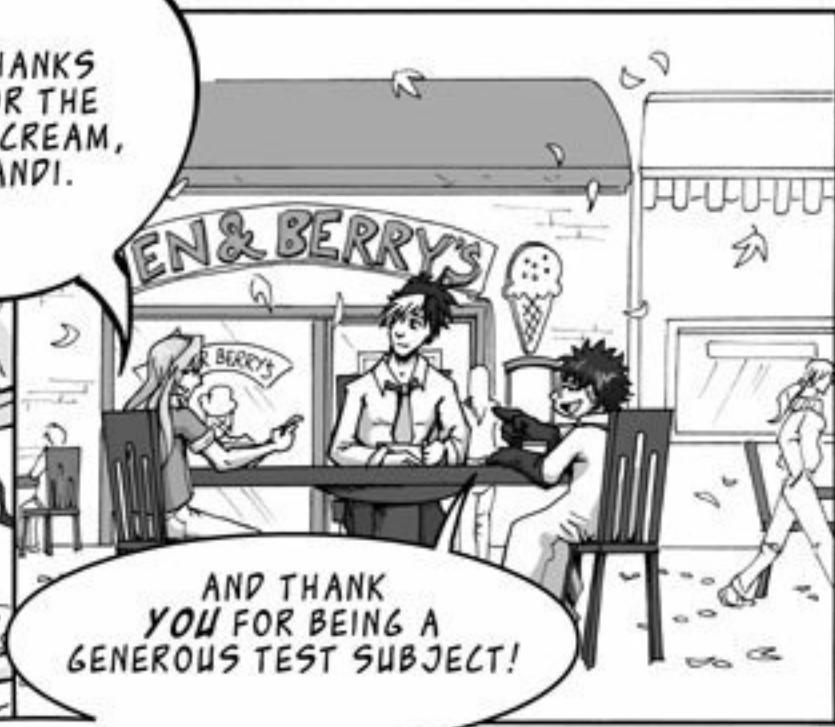
WELL, IF YOU HAVE CONSCIOUS CONTROL
OVER TRANSFORMING, PERHAPS IT CAN LEAD TO
CONSCIOUS CONTROL OVER *NOT* TRANSFORMING
AT THE FULL MOON OR WITH BAD EMOTIONS.

I GUESS SO...
BUT I WISH THERE WAS
A WAY TO CURE IT
COMPLETELY.

THOSE EXPERIMENTS WILL HAVE TO
WAIT FOR ANOTHER DAY. FOR NOW, WE
MUST CELEBRATE MY GENIUS WITH
ICE CREAM!



THANKS
FOR THE
ICE CREAM,
ANDI.



AND THANK
YOU FOR BEING A
GENEROUS TEST SUBJECT!



I WILL CERTAINLY
GIVE YOU A PERCENTAGE
WHEN I RECEIVE MY MANY
GRANTS!

YEAH,
SURE.



DO YOU THINK YOU
CAN TELL YOUR PARENTS
ABOUT THIS, NOW THAT YOU
HAVE SOME CONTROL
OVER IT?



NO WAY!
IF DAD
FOUND OUT
I'D BEEN DATING
A WEREWOLF,
HE'D PROBABLY
DISOWN ME.



I HAD AN OLDER BROTHER, NAMED GAWAIN. BUT HE'S GONE NOW.

WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM?

JUST... DIDN'T COME HOME FROM SCHOOL ONE DAY. DISAPPEARED. MY PARENTS NEVER SAID SO OUTRIGHT, BUT THEY BELIEVE HE'S DEAD.

I'M SORRY...

IT'S ALL RIGHT. HE WAS SEVEN, AND I WAS ONLY THREE. THEY HAD THE FUNERAL A YEAR LATER. I DON'T REALLY REMEMBER HIM AT ALL.

IT HIT MY PARENTS PRETTY HARD, THOUGH. THEY DIVORCED WHEN I WAS FIVE, AND I HAVEN'T SEEN MOM IN YEARS.

THEY BECAME ALMOST ENTIRELY DIFFERENT PEOPLE. MY DAD GOT DEEPLY INVOLVED IN THE CHURCH, AND MY MOM LEFT IT FOREVER.



SOMETIMES I WONDER
HOW MY PARENTS GET ALONG.
THEY'RE SO DIFFERENT.

IF I HAVE PROBLEMS, MY
MOM GIVES ME HERBS, AND MY
DAD GIVES ME LECTURES.



STINGY WITH
GIFTS, HUH?



WELL, HE
DID GIVE ME
THIS NECKLACE.



IT'S SUPPOSED
TO BE PURE
SILVER.



BUT DOESN'T
SILVER...
KILL
WEREWOLVES?



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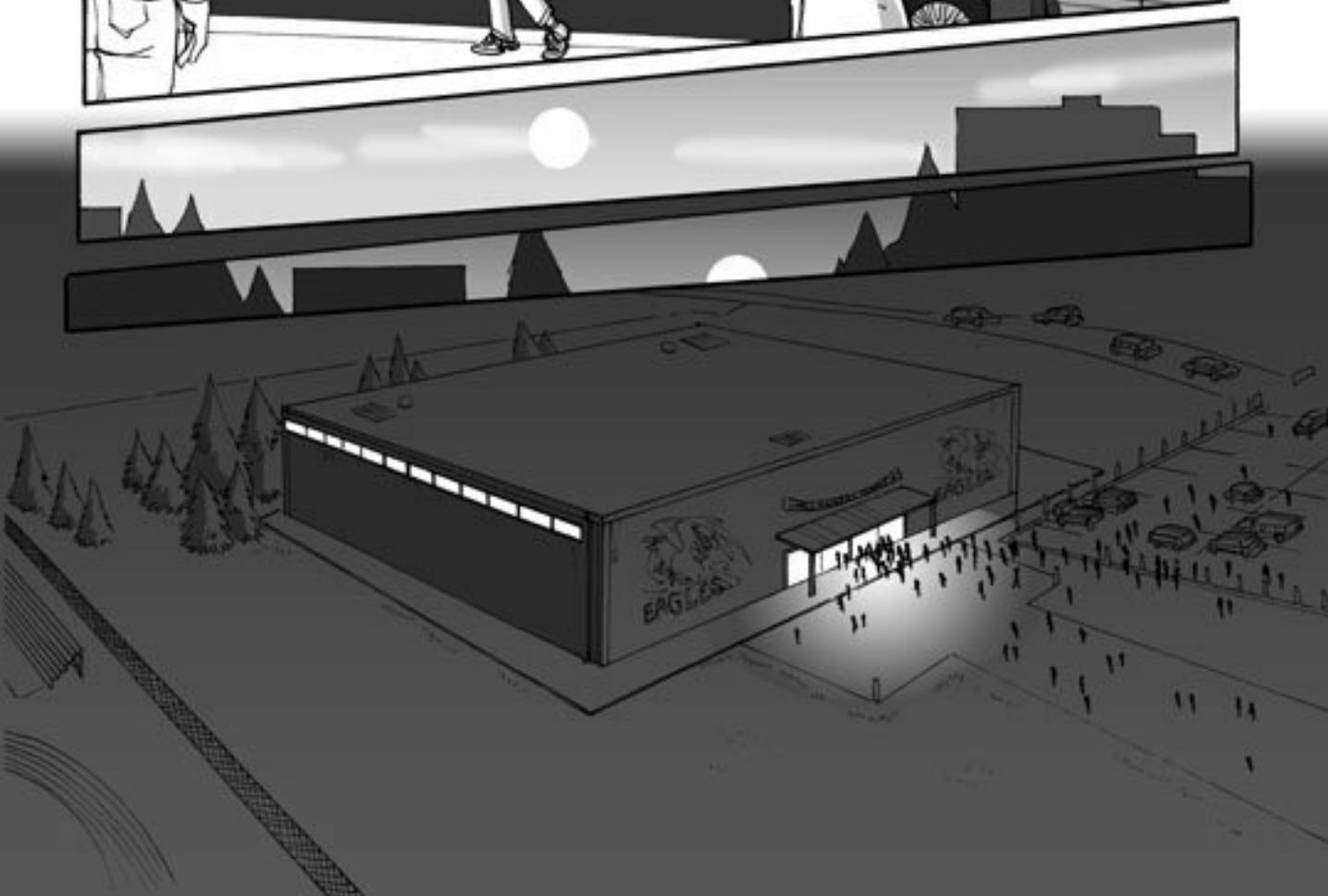
SO WHAT
ARE YOU DRESSING
UP AS?

I'VE GOT
MY COSTUME
MADE!
YOU'LL SEE
IT TONIGHT.

ALTHOUGH I'VE
BEEN WONDERING...
DOES YOUR DAD OBJECT
TO A CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
HOSTING A HALLOWEEN
PARTY?

WELL, I TOLD HIM
IT WAS BETTER THAN
HAVING ANYONE OUT TRYING
TO PULL PRANKS.

WHERE
THEY MIGHT
BE ATTACKED
BY A...
WEREWOLF!









I'VE NEVER
LEARNED.
MY DAD NEVER
THOUGHT HIGHLY
OF IT.

YEAH,
HE'S HERE...

IS HE
EVEN HERE?



...HE'S JUST
NOT ENJOYING
HIMSELF.





HEY, BIG GUY.
WOULD YOU LIKE TO
DANCE?

SURE.

ALL RIGHT,
LET'S GO!













OKAY, THANKS.
HAVE A GOOD TIME!



WHATEVER.
I FEEL SORRY FOR HIM.
HE HAS TO HANG OUT WITH
EVERYONE...EVEN THE
CREEPY PEOPLE.

WHAT'S SO CREEPY
ABOUT KYLIE?
NOT LIKE SHE
SAYS THAT
MUCH.

I DUNNO.
SHE JUST...WEIRDS ME OUT.
BAD VIBES.

TOO BAD
GALEN'S BEEN HANGING
OUT WITH HER ALL YEAR.



THUMP THUMP



WHERE ARE
YOU GOING?

THERE'S
SOMETHING ON THE
ROOF! I CAN
HEAR IT!

WAIT,
ON THE
ROOF?!

HALLOWEEN - DANCE

THERE!
CAN YOU HEAR IT?

IT COULD
BE BIRDS...

I'M
GOING TO
MAKE SURE.

HOW?
THERE'S NO
WAY TO GET TO
THE ROOF.



I COULD
MAYBE CLIMB UP
IF I WAS...

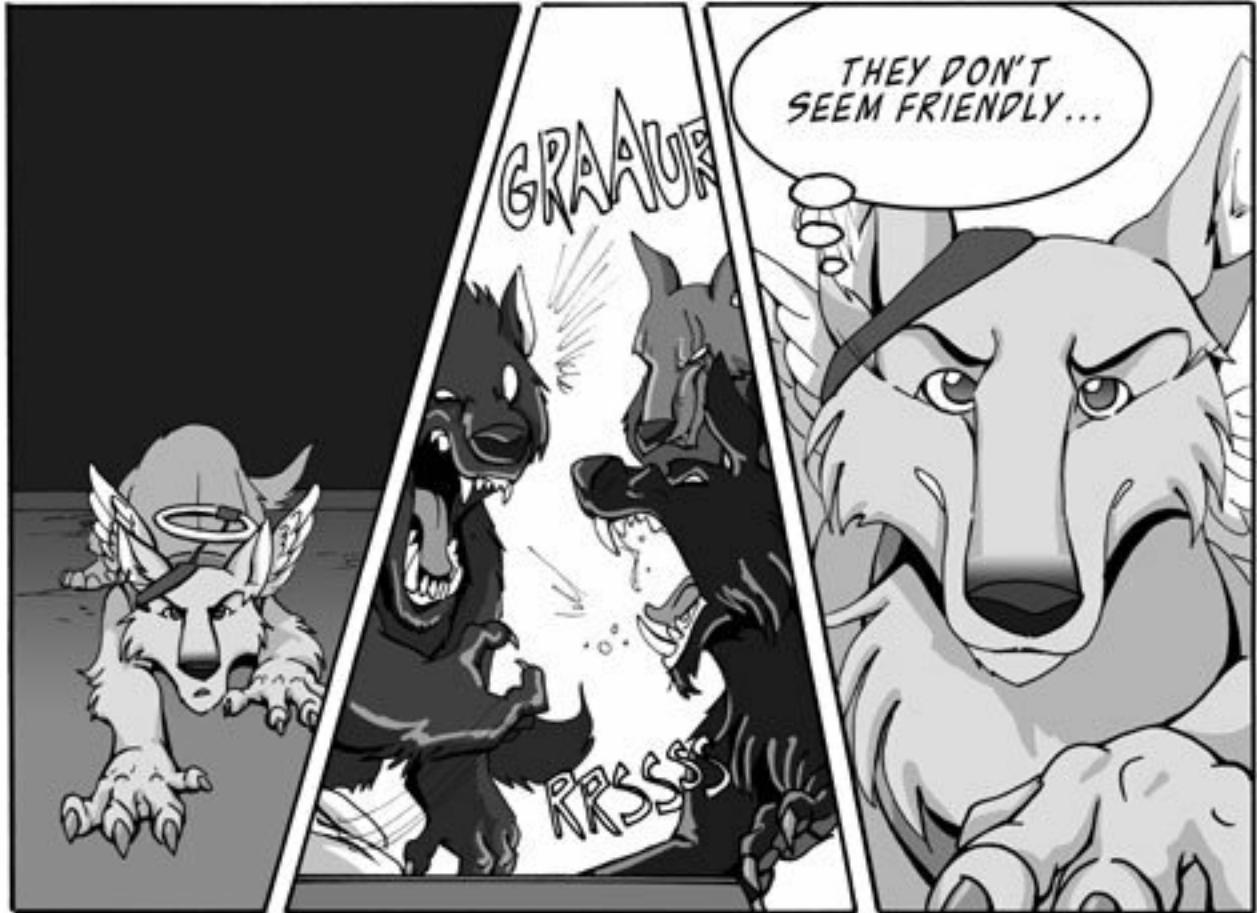
CAN YOU
PLEASE COVER
FOR ME? I'LL CHANGE
RIGHT BACK AS SOON
AS I'M DONE
CHECKING!







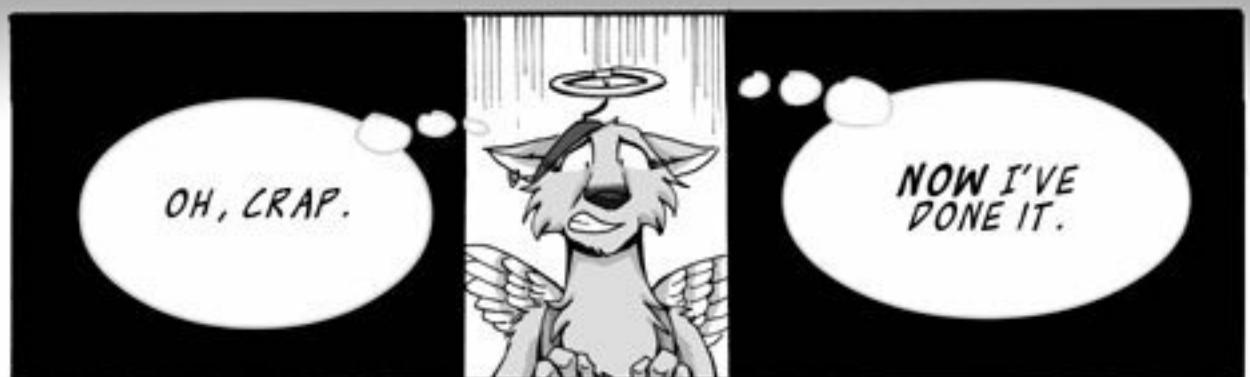




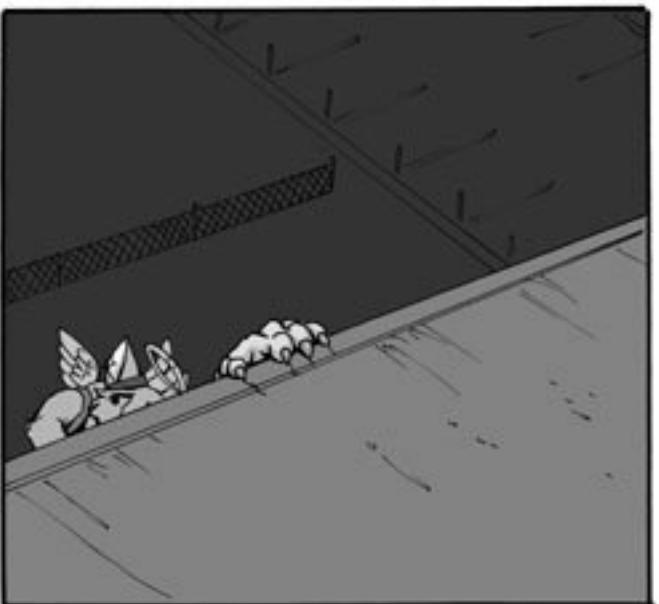


AWOOOOOOO!





AWRRROOOOGOOOW
WOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO...







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TOMP
TOMP



WHY IS
ULRICH HERE?

WHO?

NOLAN ULRICH...
HE AND POPPY'S FATHER ARE
BUSINESS PARTNERS AT A
SILVER REFINEMENT COMPANY.

NEARLY ALL OF THE
SCHOOL'S DONATIONS COME FROM
ONESIMUS SILVER.
BUT I'VE NEVER SEEN ULRICH SHOW UP
AT A SCHOOL FUNCTION BEFORE...

EXCUSE ME...
IF I COULD HAVE
YOUR ATTENTION...

STUDENTS OF
ONESIMUS HIGH SCHOOL.
...I KNOW YOU MUST BE
WONDERING WHY YOUR
FESTIVITIES HAVE BEEN
INTERRUPTED.



DOES HE
ALWAYS TALK
LIKE THAT?

HOWEVER, IT HAS
COME TO OUR ATTENTION THAT
THIS EVENT IS NOT IN LINE WITH THE
VALUES THAT OHS UPHOLDS.
AS CHRISTIANS, SHOULD WE BE PROMOTING
THE CELEBRATION OF PAGAN IMAGES
AND BELIEFS?

A group of diverse students looking towards the right.

NO,
WE SHOULD
NOT.
WE SHOULD
INSTEAD BE
PROVIDING
EXAMPLES
TO THE
WORLD
AROUND
US.

THERE-
FORE,
THE DEAN
IS NOW
DISBANDING
THIS
PARTY.

WHY CAN'T
MY DAD SAY SO
HIMSELF?...

HAVE A GOOD
REST OF THE NIGHT,
AND GOD BLESS.



WHAT
WAS
THAT?

I DUNNO.
HE JUST...
FELT WEIRD.





IT'S A
FIVE
HOUR
DRIVE,
YOU
KNOW.

WELL
YEAH,
THAT'S
THE
PART I
COULD
DO
WITHOUT.

NOT TO WORRY!
I HAVE YOUR LATE
CHRISTMAS PRESENT
HERE, AND IT SHOULD
KEEP YOU PLENTY
OCCUPIED!

IF THIS IS JUST
ANOTHER ONE OF YOUR
WEIRD PETS...

NO NO,
YOU'LL LIKE THIS,
TRUST ME!

"THE COMPLETE
GUIDE TO
WEREWOLF
MYTHS
AND
LEGENDS"

"THE
COMPLETE
GUIDE TO
WEREWOLF
MYTHS
AND
LEGENDS"?

COMPLETELY COMPREHENSIVE!
IT'S GOT LOTS OF OCCULT REFERENCES
IN IT, TOO. EVERYTHING YOU'D EVER WANT
TO KNOW ABOUT LYCANTHROPY IS HERE!

MAYBE IT HAS A
WAY TO CURE YOUR
LYCANTHROPY. I THINK
THERE'S A SECTION
ON CURES.

ERR, THANKS,
I GUESS...

...REALLY?!

MAYBE THIS
WILL BE GOOD
TO READ!

HEY GIRLS!
FOLLOW ME, I'LL SHOW
YOU WHERE YOU CAN
LOAD UP YOUR BAGS
AND GEAR.

HEY GALEN!
LOOK WHAT ANDI
GOT ME FOR
CHRISTMAS!

A BOOK ON
WEREWOLVES. AND
THERE MIGHT BE A
CURE FOR LYCAN-
THROPY HERE!

HMMMM,
INTERESTING.
IT WOULDN'T HURT
TO LOOK.

I'M GOING
TO READ IT ON
THE TRIP UP
THERE.

SURE,
BUT...

...YOU MIGHT WANT
TO KEEP IT ON THE
LOW-DOWN. I DON'T THINK
MY DAD OR THE OTHER TEACHERS
COMING WOULD BE THAT KEEN ON
YOU READING AN OCCULT-BASED
BOOK DURING A SPIRITUAL
RETREAT.

OH,
RIGHT.

ULRICH
ISN'T
COMING
ON THIS
TRIP,
IS HE?

WELL, HE *IS*
PAYING FOR THE
LODGE, SO YEAH.

WHATEVER,
IT'S NOT LIKE HE CAN SAY
SKIING IS UN-CHRISTIAN
OR SOMETHING.

I'LL SIT
NEXT TO YOU!
THEN YOU CAN TELL
US WHAT YOU FIND.

I GUESS
THE VANS WILL
BE NOISY
ANYWAY.

WELL THEN,
LET'S HURRY
SO WE CAN GET
SEATS TOGETHER!









THAT
DOESN'T
SOUND
SO
HARD.

UNTIL YOU
TRY IT.

WELL, I'M NOT
GOING TO BE EATING
ANYONE, SO IT DOESN'T
MATTER WHETHER
ABSTINENCE IS HARD
OR NOT.

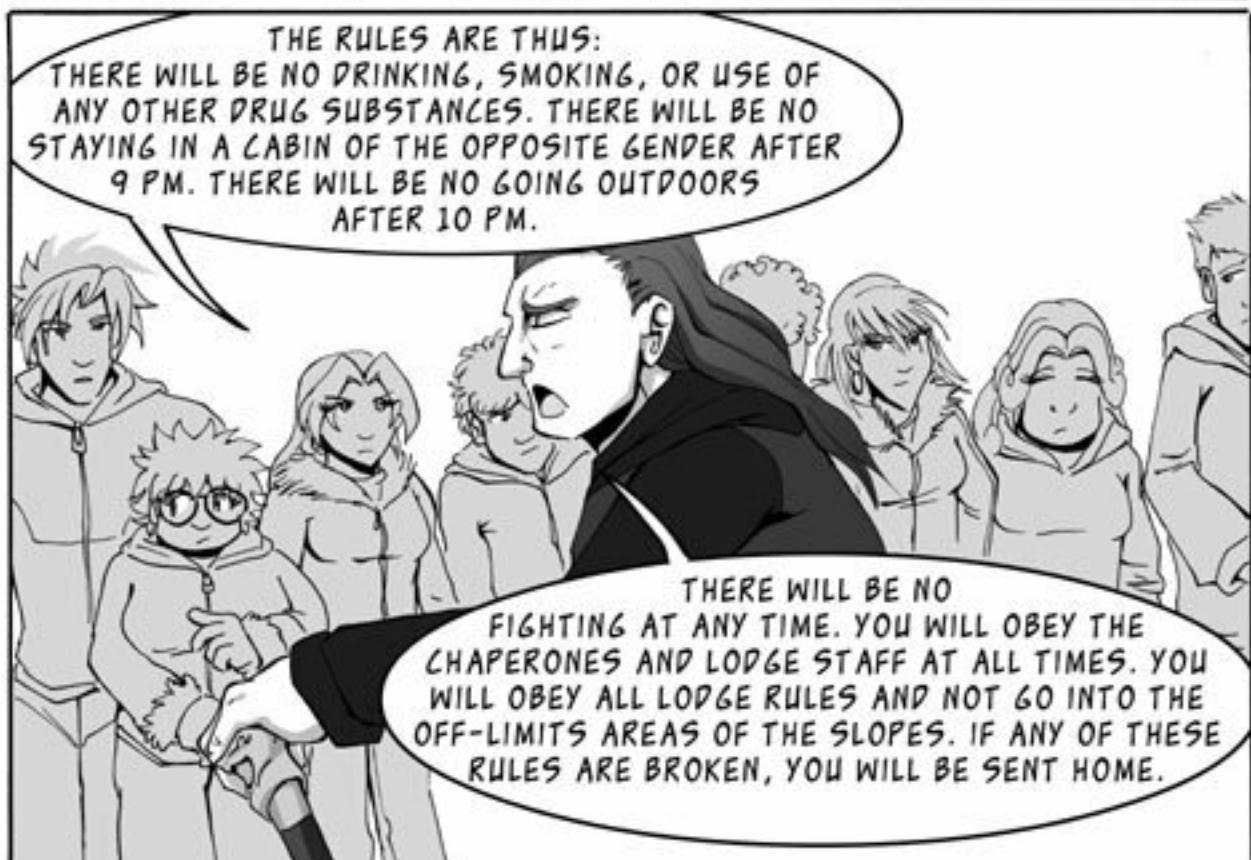
I'M JUST
GOING TO KEEP
LOOKING.

HUNDREDS OF PAGES ON LYCANTHROPY,
AND NOT A WORD ON HOW TO GET
RID OF IT...

YAWN

ARE WE THERE?

LOOKS
LIKE IT.

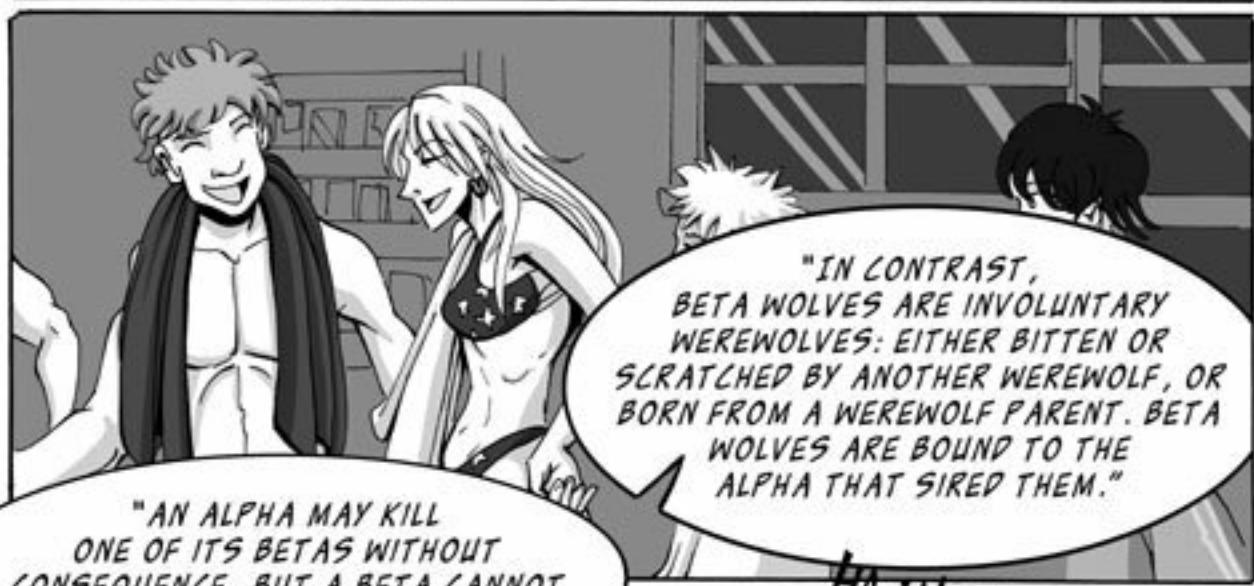






COME ON.
THE OTHER STUDENTS ARE LOOKING UP TO YOU, AND I KNOW YOU WON'T DISAPPOINT THEM.

THANKS, DAD.



HEY, I
THOUGHT YOU WERE
COMING TO THE HOT
SPRINGS! I WAS GOING TO
CONDUCT EXPERIMENTS ON
THE EFFECTS OF HEAT ON
HUMAN PROMISCUITY,
AND--

NO, I DON'T
THINK SO.

COME ON KYLIE,
YOU CAN STEP AWAY FROM
THAT BOOK FOR A BIT.

IT'S NOT
THAT, IT'S...

...IT'S ALMOST
A FULL MOON.

BUT THESE
PAST TWO
MONTHS WEREN'T
THAT BAD. YOU
JUST ASSUMED THE
WOLF FORM THAT YOU
HAD CONTROL OVER.

AND BESIDES, IT'S
NOT FULL YET.
ARE YOU THAT
WORRIED?

AND MAYBE NOT.
BEFORE, I WAS AT HOME.
IT'S A LOT MORE WILD
AROUND HERE...

WELL...OKAY,
TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF,
BUT I'VE GOTTA GO GIVE
THAT TALK.

I'LL PENCIL
YOU IN ON MY NOTES IF
YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND!

"DUE TO THEIR CONDITION, THE WEREWOLF IS OFTEN ANTSOCIAL AND ISOLATED, PREFERING TO SOCALIZE WITH THEIR OWN PACK THAN RISK EXPOSURE."





JUST KEEP
GOING...
DON'T LOOK...

IT'LL
BE
F-F-FINE..



GHH... A-AAAHH!...





WHAT ARE
YOU DOING?





I DON'T WANT TO
SEE YOU HURT.
PLEASE BE VERY CAREFUL
FROM NOW ON.



THE SPRINGS
ARE JUST THAT WAY.
I BELIEVE YOU CAN
GET THERE NOW.



TH-
THANK
YOU.



WAIT!
WHAT'S
YOUR
NAME?



NO, IT
COULDN'T...



A...BIRD?



CAN'T YOU SMELL
IT? SHE IS ONE OF US!



AND YET, SHE
SHUNS THE MOON
TONIGHT.
MOST INTRIGUING.



YESSSS...THE MOON'S
SO BRIGHT TONIGHT! AND SO
MANY OF THOSE CHILDREN ARE
THERE, FRESH...



TOUCH ONE
AND I'LL
KILL YOU
MYSELF,
DIMITRI.

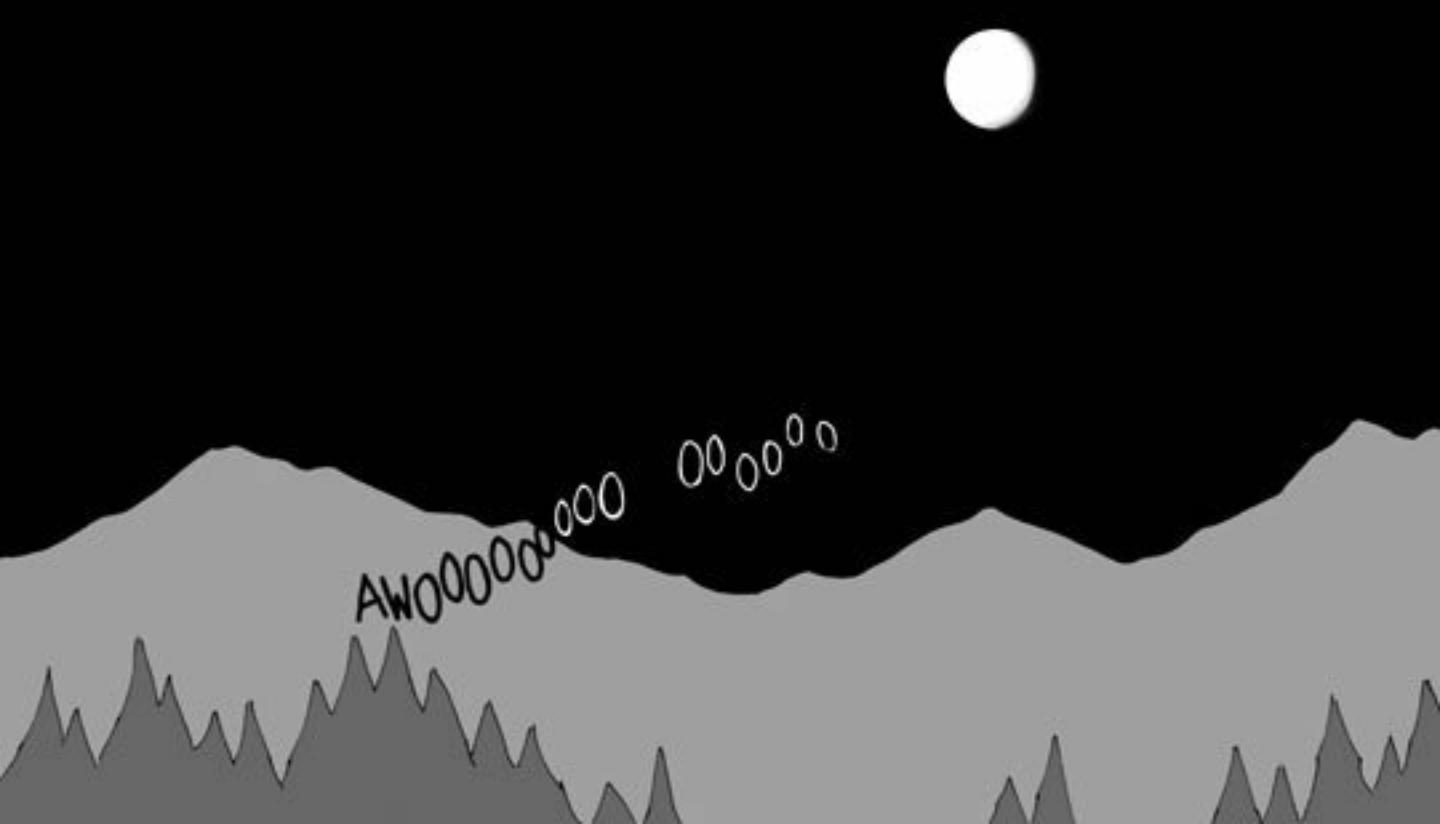


I'VE
WAITED TOO LONG FOR
MY PLANS TO BE SPOILED
BY YOUR UNCHECKED
INSTINCT.

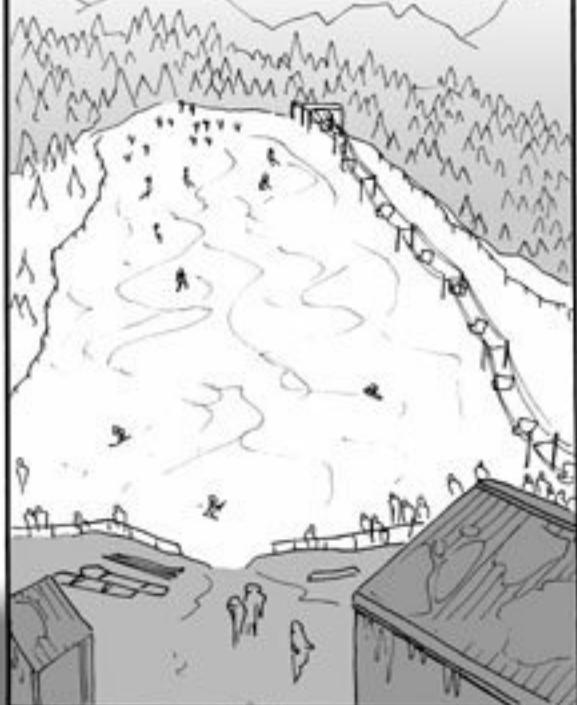
BUT BELIEVE ME,
WHEN I AM DONE, YOU'LL
HAVE FAR MORE MEAT THAN
YOU CAN EVER IMAGINE.

WHAT
ABOUT THE
SHE-WOLF?

MAKE
SURE
SCOUTS
KEEP A
CLOSE WATCH
ON HER.
SHE MAY YET
BE USEFUL
TO US.



THE NEXT DAY...



MAYBE THEY WENT HIGHER UP. I KNOW I SAW SOME ROUTES ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THAT GROVE, THERE.

BUT AREN'T THOSE SLOPES OFF-LIMITS?

YES. AND THEY'LL BE IN BIG TROUBLE IF THEY'RE THERE...

GALEN...

IF YOU HELP ME LOOK FOR THEM, YOU CAN TELL ME ON THE WAY.

GALEN, IT'S ABOUT YOUR BROTHER, GAWAIN! I THINK HE'S STILL ALIVE!



KYLIE,
THAT JOKE'S NOT
EXACTLY IN THE BEST
OF TASTE.



BESIDES, HOW DO YOU KNOW IT WAS GALEN'S BROTHER?

IT MUST'VE BEEN A DIFFERENT GAWAIN. MY DAD WOULD KNOW IF HE WAS STILL ALIVE.

WELL... HE SAID HIS NAME WAS GAWAIN...

BUT HE ...

IT JUST FELT LIKE...

MAYBE HE GOT ABDUCTED BY ALIENS, AND HAS NOW BEEN RETURNED YEARS LATER WITH NO MEMORY OF HIS FORMER LIFE! SO AFTER HIRING A PSYCHIC PRIVATE EYE, HE'S--

SHHH, I THINK I HEAR THEM!



UUGH, I'M
FREEZING. CAN WE
GO ALREADY?

WAIT WAIT,
YOU GOTTA GET THIS
ON TAPE. IT'S GONNA
BE AWESOME.
MATT WILL FLIP!

OKAY, BUT LET'S
HURRY UP BEFORE SOME
CHAPERONE FIGURES OUT
WHERE WE ARE.



YOU MEAN SOME
CHAPERONE NAMED
GAAAAAALEN...

SHUT
UP!



COME ON,
COME ON, WATCH!

REC

YOU KNOW,
WHEN CALCULATING THE
ANGLE OF DEGREE OF THIS SLOPE
DIVIDED BY MIA'S RELATIVE
STUPIDITY, I'D SAY...

SOMETHING'S
NOT RIGHT...

Wooooo!







YOU WON'T
BE ABLE TO REACH--

I CAN
IF I-

YOU'LL
BE
SEEN!







AHHHHHHHHH!!







OHMIGOD,
OHMIGOD,
ARE YOU OKAY?!



I...I...

IT'S ALRIGHT,
YOU'RE OKAY. LET'S GET
YOU AWAY FROM HERE.

I ALMOST
DIIIIIIIIIED!

YOU...*HUFF*
...YOU OKAY?



SHE'S OKAY, KYLIE.
LET'S GET HER BACK
TO THE LODGE.



ZOE...

WHA-AAT?

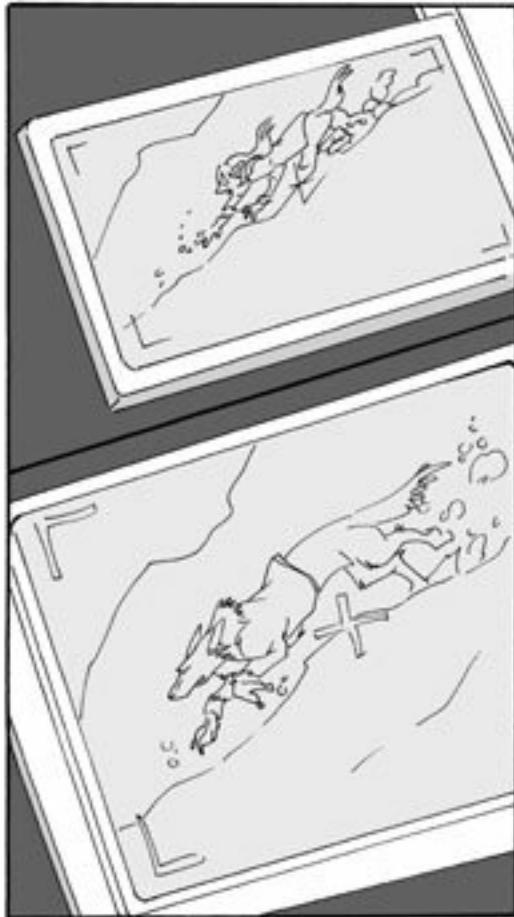


ZOE, GET
OVER HERE.

WHAT ON EARTH
HAPPENED JUST--

LOOK.





YEAH.
SHE'S
GOTTA
BE THAT
WOLF THAT
CHASED US
RIGHT BEFORE
SCHOOL
STARTED.

SO WHAT
DO WE DO?





AH, ULRICH! YOU WERE AT THE SKI RETREAT; YOU CAN TELL THE OTHER BOARD MEMBERS HOW ENRICHING IT WAS FOR THE KIDS.



DO THE BOARD MEMBERS NOT BELIEVE IT WAS TO BEGIN WITH?



I WAS PROMISED THAT MY DAUGHTER, POPPY SHERMAN, WOULD GAIN A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF GOD THROUGH THIS RETREAT. INSTEAD, SHE COMES HOME SPOUTING NONSENSE ABOUT WEREWOLVES!

WEREWOLVES, YOU SAY.



YES. NOTHING ABOUT HER SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCE, JUST INSISTING THAT SOME GIRL NAMED KYLIE TURNED INTO A WOLF!





WHAT SORTS OF THINGS
WERE YOU TEACHING ON THIS RETREAT,
FOR OUR CHILDREN TO COME AWAY WITH
BASELESS SUPERSTITIONS?



I ASSURE
YOU, THERE WAS
NOTHING OF THE
SORT! THE MAIN
LESSON WAS JUST
A STUDY OF THE
COLOSSIANS!



THEN WHY IS
MY DAUGHTER--



NOW WAIT,
MR. SHERMAN. THERE
MAY BE SOME TRUTH TO
THIS MATTER.



YOU'RE NOT
ACTUALLY SUGGESTING
THAT ONE OF THESE
KIDS IS A--

OF COURSE NOT. WHAT I AM SUGGESTING IS THAT YOUR DAUGHTER SAW SOMETHING AND MADE A NOT-SO-FAR JUMP TO A SUPERSTITIOUS CONCLUSION.

SAW WHAT?

EVEN IN THIS CITY, IN THIS VERY SCHOOL, THERE ARE IMPRESSIONABLE STUDENTS SWAYED BY TEMPTATION. THESE STUDENTS WILL ATTEMPT PAGAN PRACTICES FOR FUN, OR IN ALL SERIOUSNESS...

...READ BOOKS OF THE OCCULT, TRY TO CAST MAGIC SPELLS, HAVE SECRET MEETINGS AT NIGHT...

...OR PUT ON WOLF SKINS.

WELL...IF THAT'S THE CASE, THIS STUDENT SHOULD BE PUNISHED!

YOU
MUST BE
MISTAKEN!
GALEN KNOWS
KYLIE LARLIATH,
HE WOULD'VE
TOLD ME
IF--

MAYBE HE DIDN'T KNOW.

OR, MAYBE HE THOUGHT HE COULD
HANDLE IT ON HIS OWN, BUT DIDN'T
HAVE THE SPIRITUAL STRENGTH.

WHOEVER THIS GIRL IS,
SHE SHOULD BE EXPelled
FROM THE SCHOOL!

NOW NOW,
THIS IS HARDLY THE
MEDIEVAL TIMES. THIS IS A
CHRISTIAN INSTITUTION,
IS IT NOT?

IF WE FORBID
ANY PAGAN OR OCCULT
INFLUENCES IN THIS SCHOOL,
WE CAN MAKE A POINT WITHOUT
EXPELLING ANYONE.

MR. ULRICH...

MY DAUGHTER
WOULD NEVER!--

YES, MR. SHERMAN,
BUT OTHERS MIGHT.

BESIDES,
IT IS HIGHLY
UNLIKELY THAT
JUST ONE
STUDENT HAS
DABBLED IN THESE
PRACTICES. THERE
COULD BE MORE...
MANY MORE.

THEN
WHAT
SHOULD
WE DO?

A
PURGE.

SEARCH
LOCKERS
FOR ANY
OBJECTIONABLE
MATERIAL.
SEARCH
THEIR
BAGS, IF
NECESSARY.

THAT WILL FRIGHTEN
AND INFURIATE THE
STUDENTS!

IT IS ALL
SOLELY FOR THEIR
SPIRITUAL WELL-BEING.

IF YOU LET ME
TALK TO GALEN,
I'M SURE HE CAN--

I'M FOR
THIS IDEA.
IF MY LITTLE
GIRL IS
GOING TO BE
CORRUPTED BY
HER PEERS AT
A CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL, THEN
I SEE NO
REASON
WHY SHE-

-OR
MY
MONEY
SHOULD
STAY
HERE.

VERY WELL...
ORGANIZE
A TEAM.



YOU SHOULDN'T
LOOK SO SAD.
AFTER ALL, SACRIFICES
ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT
PART OF BEING A
CHRISTIAN.

IF YOU'LL EXCUSE
ME ONCE MORE,
I HAVE A PHONE CALL
TO MAKE.



THE STUDENTS KNOW ABOUT THE GIRL WOLF.

THEN... THEN ALL OF OUR PLANS ARE RUINED!

BUT... WHY DOESN'T SHE JOIN US?

ON THE CONTRARY, DIMITRI. EVERYTHING IS FALLING INTO PLACE PERFECTLY.

OH, SHE WILL IN DUE TIME. AND I WANT THE LAST SKYLAR TO SEE IT BEFORE HE DIES.

I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD LET A STRAY WOLF RUN AROUND SO CLOSE TO--

LAST I CHECKED, YOU WERE NOT THE LEADER OF THIS PACK.

SOMETHING
HAS YOU WORRIED.
WHAT ARE YOU HIDING
FROM ME?

A MAN HAS
BEEN FOLLOWING THE
PACK FOR SOME TIME NOW,
WATCHING US. HE DOESN'T SMELL
NORMAL, AND HIS CLOTHES ARE
STRANGE. THE SCOUTS HAVE
TRIED TO CAPTURE HIM, BUT
HE IS ELUSIVE.

MORE ELUSIVE
THAN WOLVES?

HE SEEMS TO
DISAPPEAR AT WILL!

SO NOW MY
GREAT PACK IS
FRIGHTENED OF
SPOOKS.

FIND
THE SPY
AND KILL HIM.
WE'LL HAVE
NO MORE
ANOMALIES
RUNNING
ABOUT.

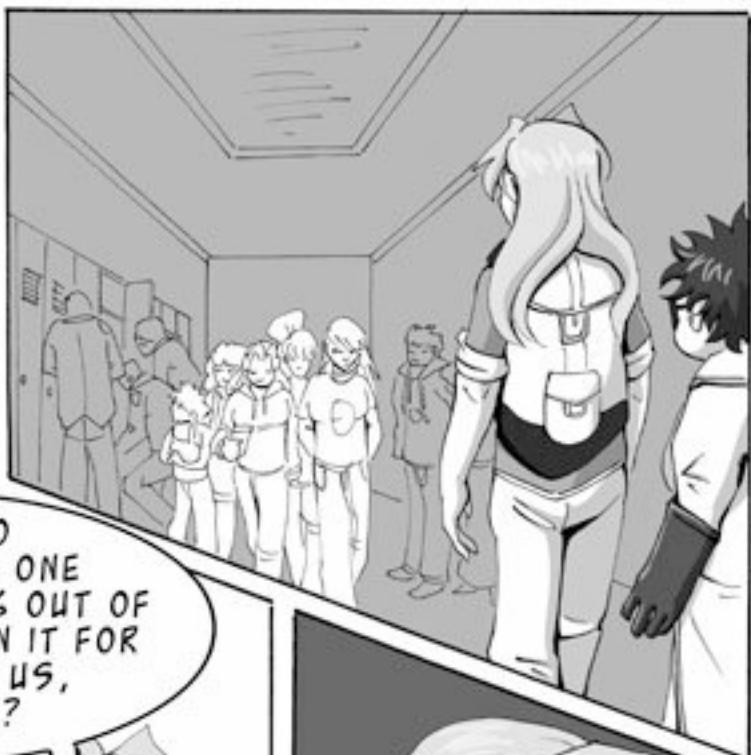
YES,
SIR.

SIR,
WOULD
YOU LIKE
ANYTHING IN
PARTICULAR
FOR SUPPER
TONIGHT?

I FEEL LIKE
FOWL TONIGHT.

THE NEXT DAY...





HOW AM I GOING TO
BE ABLE TO HIDE SPECIMENS
NOW?...

GALEN!
WHY ARE THEY
GOING THROUGH
LOCKERS?!

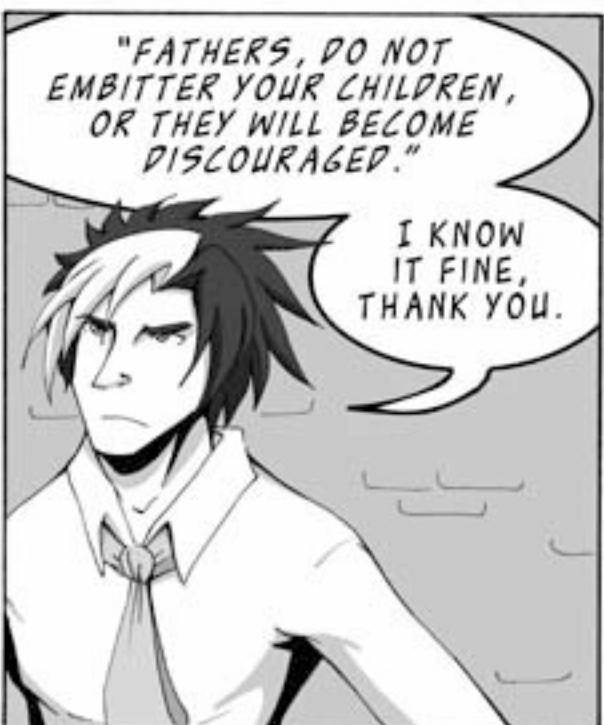
I DON'T KNOW,
I ONLY JUST GOT
HERE--

KYLIE
LARLIATH!









YOU'RE A VERY BRIGHT YOUNG MAN, GALEN SKYLAR. WHICH IS WHY I'M OFFERING YOU THIS ADVICE: STAY AWAY FROM THAT KYLIE GIRL.

I'M NOT **SELECTIVE** ABOUT MY FRIENDS, MR. ULRICH. AND PARDON MY RUDENESS, BUT HOW IS THAT YOUR BUSINESS?

IT'S MY BUSINESS TO RECOGNIZE A WEREWOLF WHEN I SEE ONE.

WEREWOLVES?
THOSE DON'T EXIST.

OH COME
NOW, MR.
SKYLAR.
YOU AND I
BOTH KNOW
THAT'S NOT
TRUE.

I'VE
OBSERVED
BOTH HER
AND YOU,
AND I
RECOGNIZE
ALL THE
TELLTALE
SIGNS.

AND THIS IS
YOUR "BUSINESS?"
SO, YOU'RE HEAD OF
ONESIMUS SILVER, DONATOR
TO THIS SCHOOL, AND
A WEREWOLF HUNTER?!

NOTHING
SO CRASS. THEY'RE
PEOPLE TOO, AT LEAST
MOST OF THE TIME.
BUT I HAVE SEEN
THE THINGS THEY
CAN DO.

I SAW
THEM KILL
YOUR BROTHER.

THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE THAT--

I HAVE ALWAYS ADMIRE YOUR GENEROUS SPIRIT IN THE FACE OF TRAGEDY. AFTER ALL, HAVEN'T YOU ALWAYS KNOWN IN YOUR HEART THAT HE DIED?

THERE WAS TOO BIG A PACK FOR ME TO STOP THEM, BUT I SAW IT HAPPEN. IT HAUNTS ME TO THIS DAY: A MERE BOY OF SEVEN, SO BRUTALLY MURDERED. DEVOURIED WHILE HE WAS STILL ALIVE.

WHY ARE YOU SAYING THESE THINGS...

I SAY THEM SO THAT YOU UNDERSTAND WHY THESE STEPS ARE TAKEN. YOUR FRIEND IS NOT A REAL THREAT YET; MERELY A PUP AS FAR AS WEREWOLVES ARE CONCERNED.

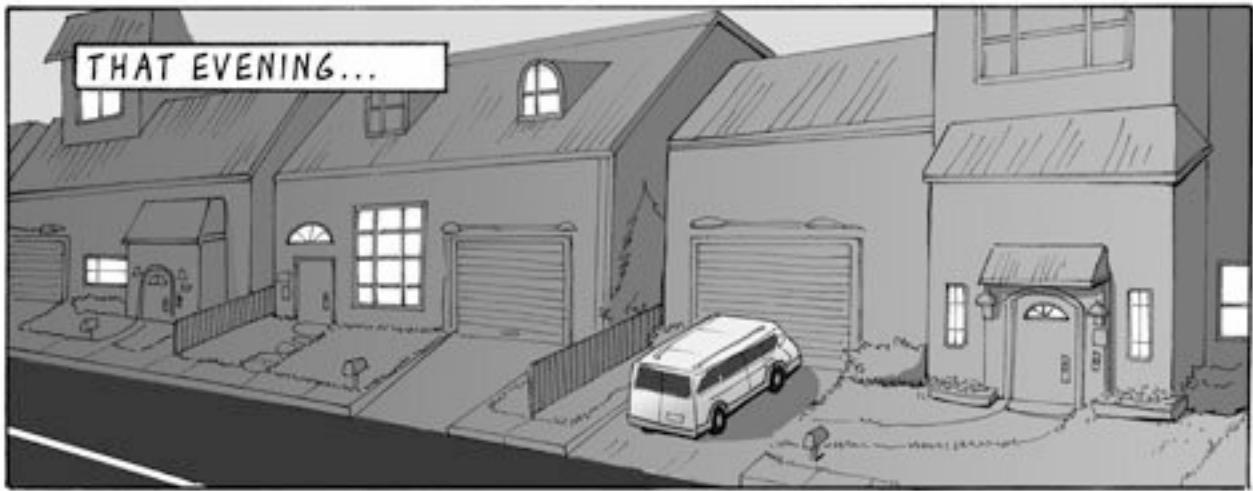
BUT EVENTUALLY, SHE WILL LEAD OTHERS TO YOU. WHAT IF THE SAME HAPPENED TO YOU? OR WHAT IF, GOD FORBID, ANOTHER CHILD GOT HURT WHEN YOU COULD HAVE PREVENTED IT?

NO...

I MERELY OFFER YOU THAT WARNING. AGAIN, YOU'RE A BRIGHT YOUNG MAN. I TRUST YOU TO MAKE THE RIGHT DECISION.



THAT EVENING...



GET INSIDE.



HI HONEY!
HOW WAS SCH--



KYLIE GOT
SENT TO THE
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE
TODAY.



KYLIE,
SWEETIE, I KNOW YOU
LIKE TO READ YOUR FANTASY
STORIES, BUT THIS IS
VERY DIFFERENT.

I CAN'T
EVEN BELIEVE...
WHY WOULD YOU BUY
A BOOK LIKE THAT?!

I WANTED TO...
KNOW SOME STUFF!

KYLIE,
EVERYTHING
YOU'D NEED
TO KNOW
IS IN THIS
BOOK.

I KNOW,
BUT...

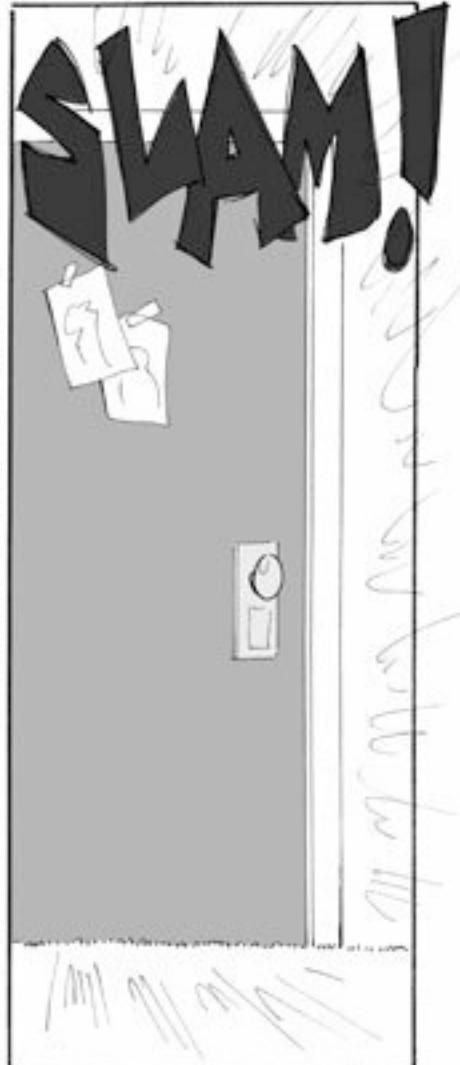
I THOUGHT
WE RAISED
YOU BETTER
THAN THAT!

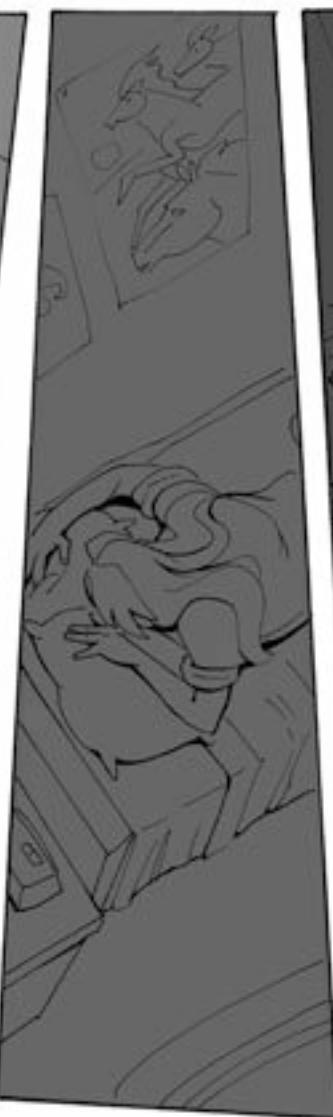
THIS ISN'T
ABOUT YOU!

KYLIE...

THEN WHAT
IS IT ABOUT?!









GAWAIN?
THAT'S A NICE
NAME. MY NAME
IS NOLAN.

IT'S NICE TO
MEET YOU, MISTER,
BUT I'M NOT SUPPOSED TO
TALK TO STRANGERS.

I'M A
FRIEND OF
HIS.
MAYBE YOU'VE
SEEN ME
AT THE
CHURCH.

OH, BUT
I'M NOT A STRANGER!
YOUR FATHER IS MR.
SKYLAR, RIGHT?

UH-HUH.

WELL,
I HAVE
TO GO
MEET
HIM
NOW.



THAT'S
WHAT I'M
HERE ABOUT.
I'M AFRAID
YOUR FATHER'S
BEEN IN AN
ACCIDENT.









OH, LITTLE
GAWAIN. DO YOU
REMEMBER THE SONGS
YOU SANG IN SUNDAY
SCHOOL?



THE STORIES YOUR
TEACHERS AND PARENTS TOLD YOU,
ABOUT HOW IF YOU'RE GOOD, GOD
WILL ALWAYS WATCH OUT FOR YOU
AND PROTECT YOU FROM HARM?



THEY LIED
TO YOU.

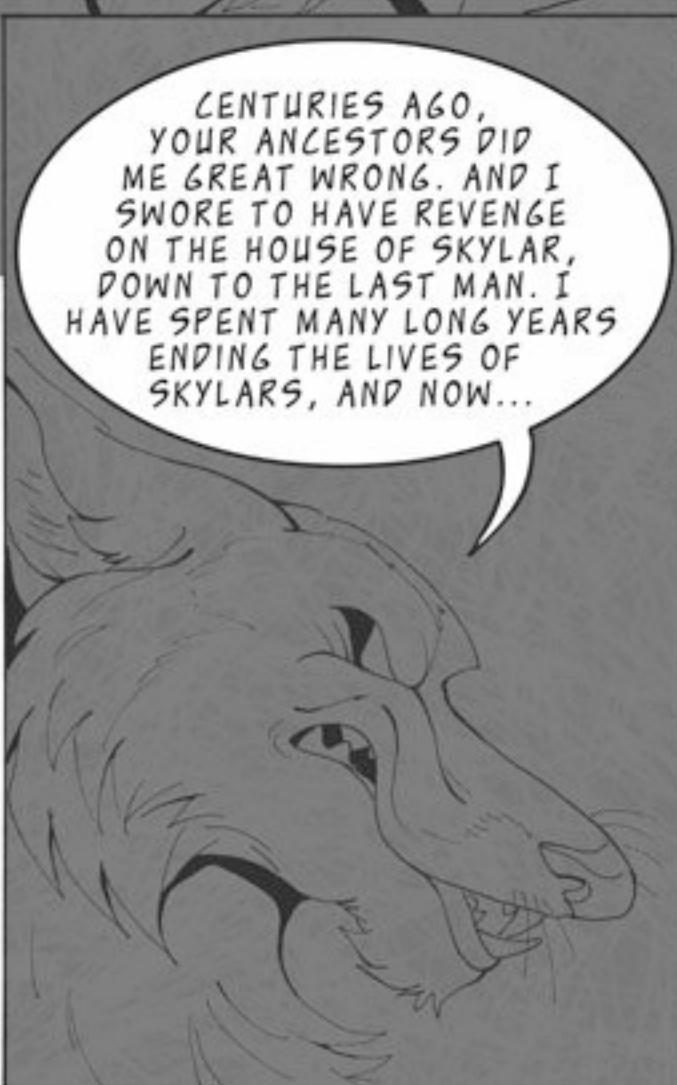
MY WOLVES AND I
ARE GOING TO KILL
YOU NOW, AND GOD
WILL NOT SAVE YOU.



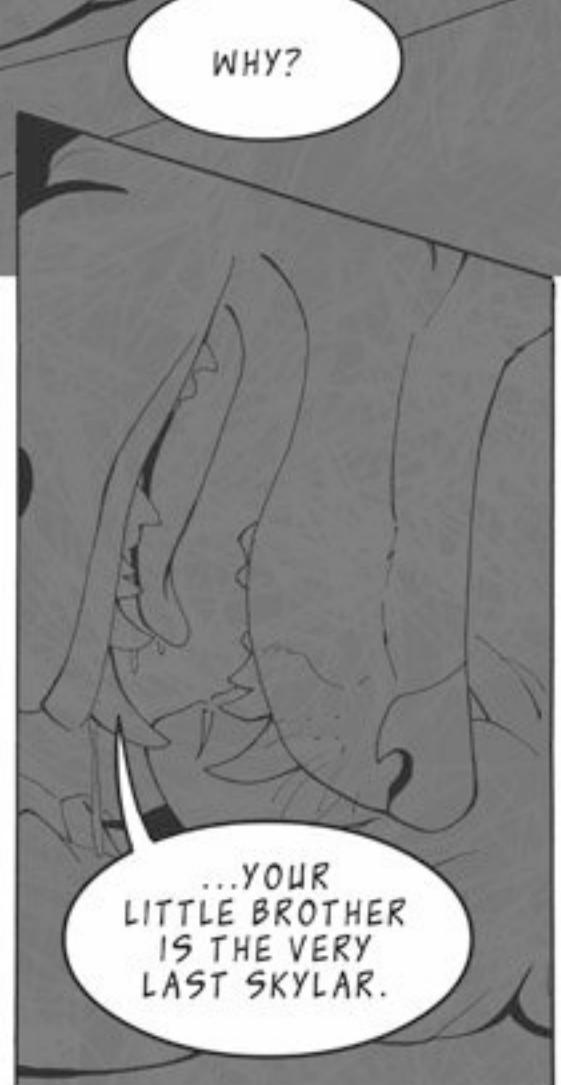
THERE'S
SOMETHING
ELSE YOU
SHOULD
KNOW, TOO...



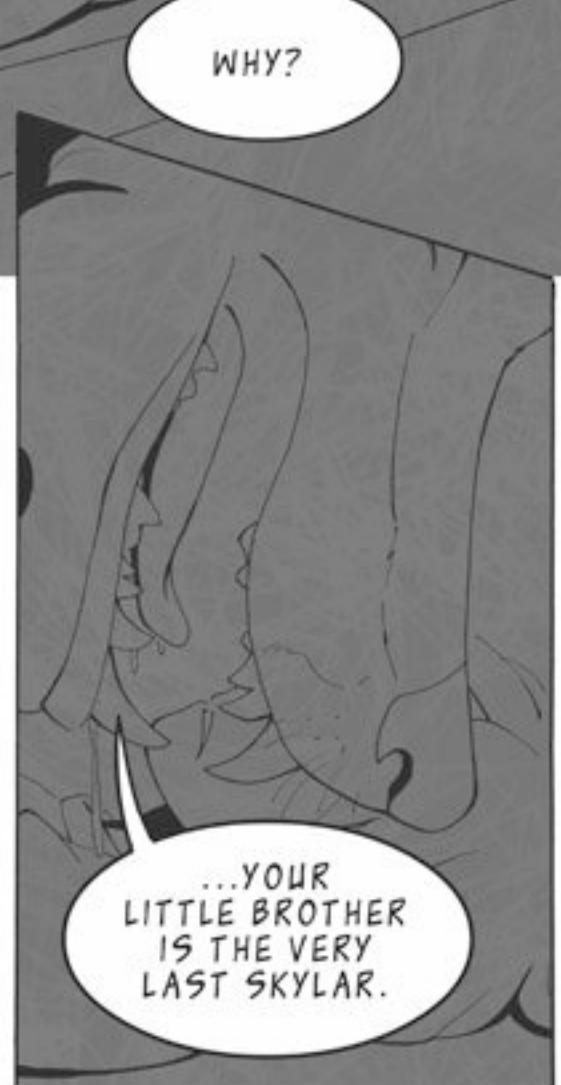
MANY YEARS
FROM NOW, LONG AFTER
YOU'VE BEEN FORGOTTEN,
WE'RE GOING TO KILL YOUR
FATHER AND BROTHER, TOO.
GOD WILL NOT PROTECT THEM
ANY MORE THAN HE
DOES YOU.



CENTURIES AGO,
YOUR ANCESTORS DID
ME GREAT WRONG. AND I
SWORE TO HAVE REVENGE
ON THE HOUSE OF SKYLAR,
DOWN TO THE LAST MAN. I
HAVE SPENT MANY LONG YEARS
ENDING THE LIVES OF
SKYLARS, AND NOW...



WHY?



...YOUR
LITTLE BROTHER
IS THE VERY
LAST SKYLAR.



I KNOW FIRST-HAND THAT
REVENGE IS SWEET. AND EVERY DAY
I ANTICIPATE HOW SWEET THE MEAT
OF THE LAST SKYLAR WILL TASTE.
BUT FOR NOW...

...YOU
WILL TIDE
ME OVER.



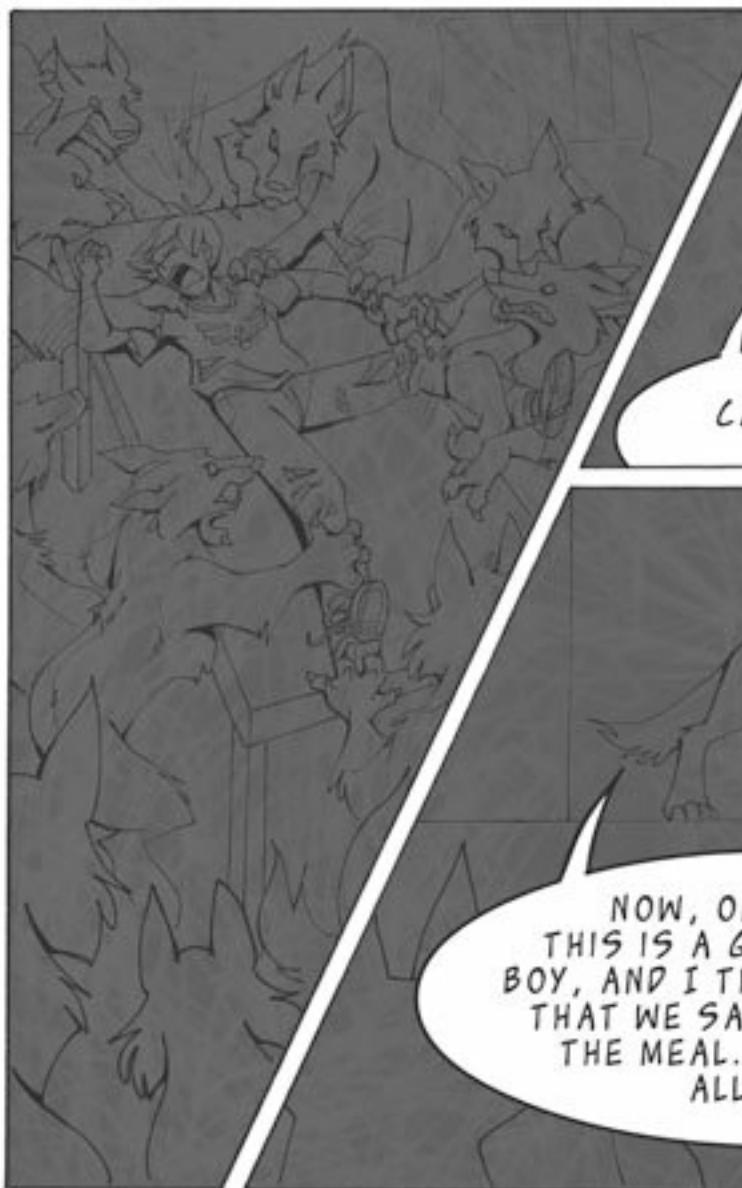
NO,
YOU WON'T
HURT GALEN!



I SUPPOSE
YOU THINK GOD
WILL PROTECT
HIM?



IF GOD
WON'T,
THEN I
WILL!

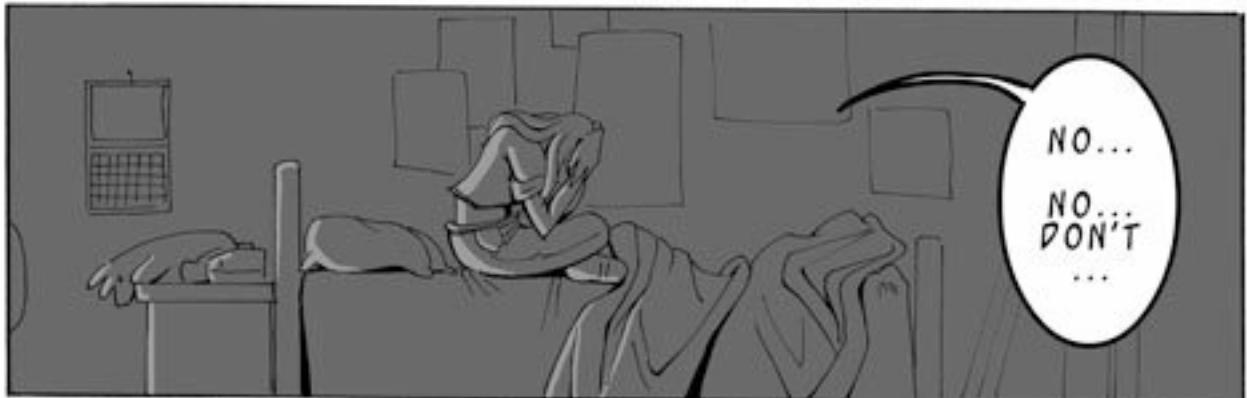


NOW, ONE MOMENT.
THIS IS A GOOD CHRISTIAN
BOY, AND I THINK IT IS FITTING
THAT WE SAY GRACE BEFORE
THE MEAL. IF YOU WOULD
ALL BOW...

OH LORD, WE THANK
THEE FOR THIS BOUNTIFUL
HARVEST YOU HAVE PROVIDED
FOR US.

MAY THIS
YOUNG CHRISTIAN
NOURISH OUR BODIES SO
THAT WE MAY DO THE WORK
GIVEN TO US. AND
IN JESUS' NAME...

AMEN.







WOULD YOU
JUST CHILL ALREADY?
YOU'RE MAKING ME
NERVOUS!

TODAY
DIDN'T
MAKE
ANY
DIFFERENCE!

YEAH IT
DID. THE
SCHOOL
INSPECTORS
FOUND KYLIE'S
WEREWOLF MAGIC
BOOK. SHE'S
PROBABLY
GONNA GET
EXPELLED
FOR IT.

DON'T YOU GET IT?
NONE OF THEM ACTUALLY
BELIEVE SHE'S A REAL
WEREWOLF! EVEN IF THEY EXPEL
HER, SHE'LL STILL BE
RUNNING AROUND!

AND IF SHE
FINDS OUT WE'RE
THE ONES WHO
SNITCHED, SHE'LL
COME AFTER
US!

BUT WHAT
CAN WE DO ABOUT IT?
WE ALREADY TOLD
YOUR DAD!

WE'LL JUST HAVE
TO DEFEND OURSELVES,
THAT'S ALL.

MY DAD
OWNS THE
SILVER REFINERY,
REMEMBER?
HE'S GOT SOME
SILVER BULLETS AS
A NOVELTY IN
HIS OFFICE,
SO...

POPPY!
YOU CAN'T BE...
IF WE SHOOT KYLIE,
WE'RE GONNA
GO TO JAIL!

I'M NOT STUPID, ZOE! I'M NOT GOING TO TAKE THE GUN TO SCHOOL OR ANYTHING! AND I'M NOT GOING TO USE IT UNLESS SHE BECOMES A WOLF AND ATTACKS US FIRST. THEN IT'S JUST SELF-DEFENSE.

POPPY, I... I DON'T KNOW...

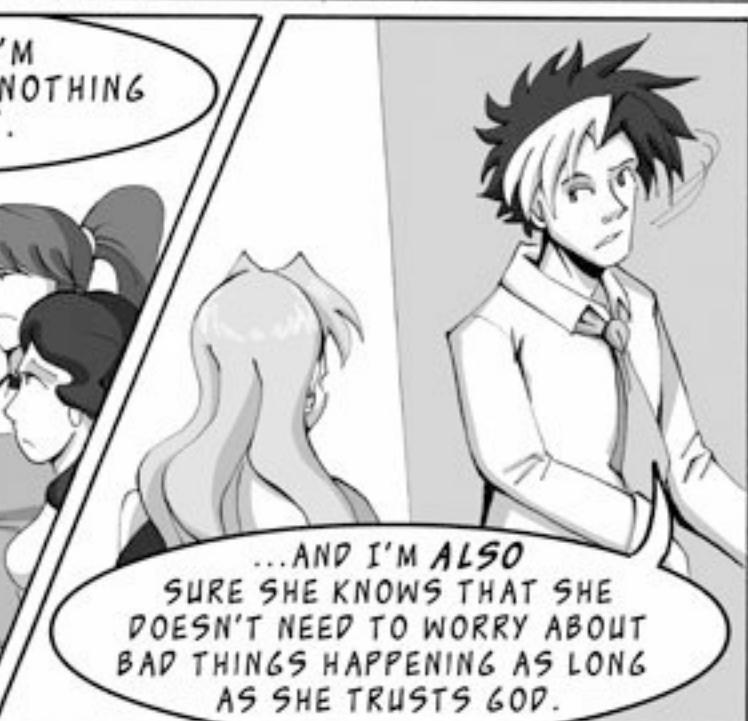
WOULD YOU RATHER WE GET BITTEN? OR EATEN?

WE GONNA TELL STEPHANIE, MIA OR SHELBY?

MAYBE. FIRST WE GOTTA FIGURE OUT WHERE TO FIND A GUN FOR THIS...











I'VE STILL GOT TO WORK
THROUGH THESE REPORTS THE
INSPECTION TEAM SENT ME...

JUST FORGET
THOSE STUPID REPORTS!
OUR SCHOOL IS NOT ABOUT--

DON'T LECTURE
ME ON WHAT OUR SCHOOL
IS **ABOUT**, GALEN! I'VE
GOT A WHOLE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS TELLING ME WHAT
THIS SCHOOL IS "ABOUT."

AND IF YOU'D
TOLD ME BEFORE THAT
YOUR FRIEND KYLIE WAS
HIDING OCCULT BOOKS,
WE MAY NOT BE IN
THIS MESS.

I DIDN'T THINK
HER HAVING **ONE**
BOOK WAS WORTH...

GALEN, THAT'S
PART OF WHAT BEING A
MINISTER IS! RECOGNIZING
A PROBLEM EARLY ON.

SO YOU'RE
SAYING I'M NOT CUT OUT TO
BE A YOUTH MINISTER AFTER ALL,
IS THAT IT?!

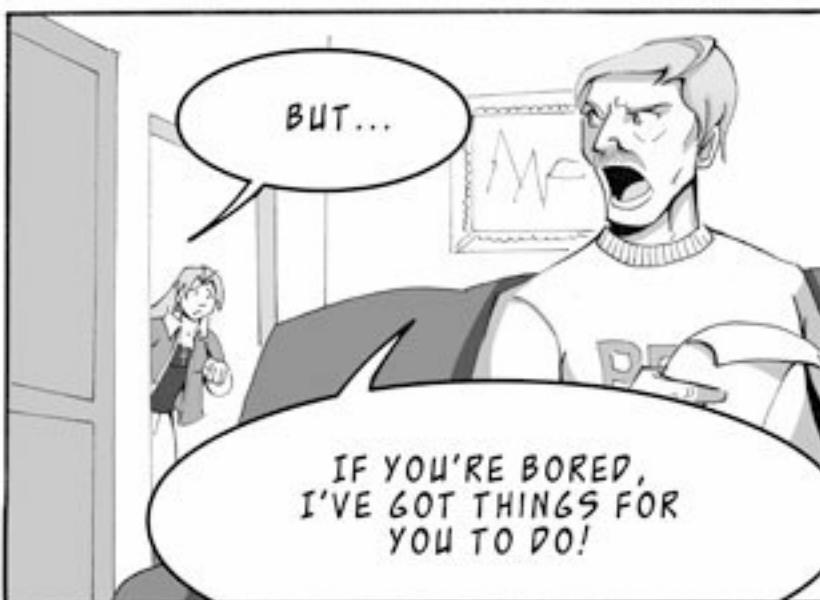
NO! YOU'RE
STILL YOUNG, YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND WHAT'S
BEST FOR--

OH, YOU DO?
YOU UNDERSTAND WHY
THESE BUSINESS PEOPLE
RUN OUR SCHOOL?
WHY GOD TOOK GAWAIN--

GALEN!





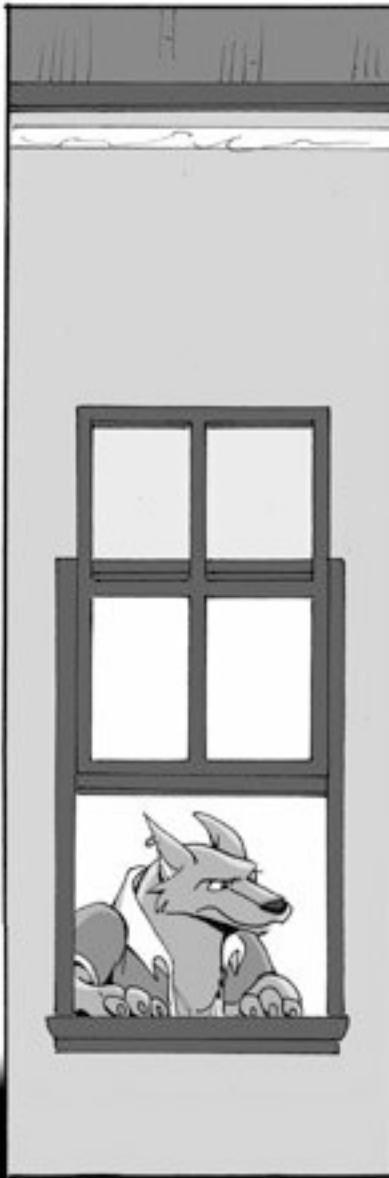


SLAM!

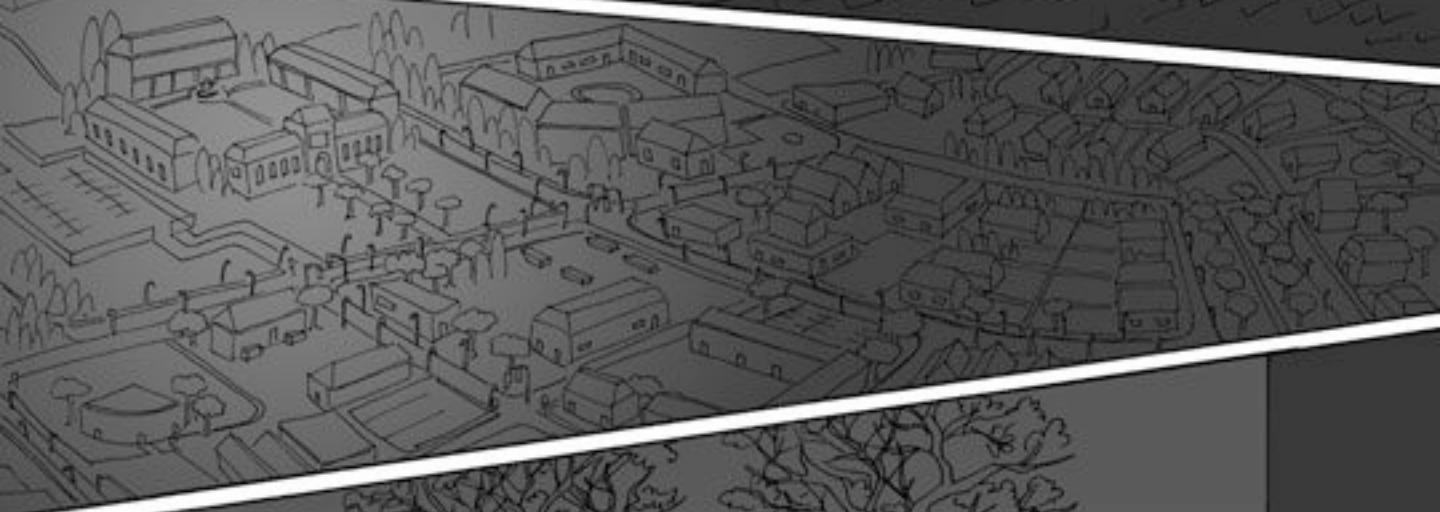
WELL,
IF NO ONE
WILL HELP ME...

GHAAA..

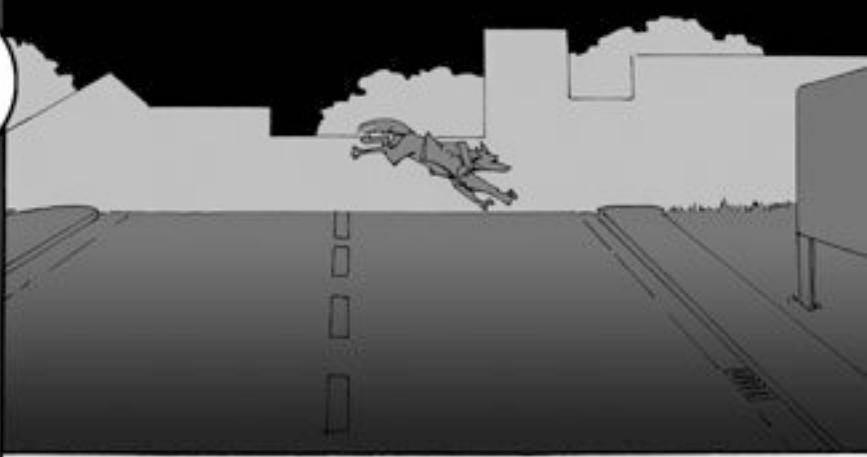
AA AHH!



WAIT...



WHY'S IT
BACK AT
THE SCHOOL...



AAAUAUGH!!











I DIDN'T
ASK FOR THIS!
I DON'T WANT IT!

OH, YOU
WILL. YOU JUST
GOTTA...

...TASTE IT
FOR AWHILE.

NO, MR. SK--

HE SAID NEVER TO MAKE
YOU ONE OF US...BUT WE HAD
OUR GOOD TIMES, AND I KNEW
IT'D BE MUCH MORE FUN FOR YOU
TO BE A WOLF THAN DINNER.

I THINK
YOU JUST
HATE
ADMITTING
YOU GOT
BEAT BY A
TEENAGE
GIRL!

YOU HAVE A FUNNY WAY OF SHOWING GRATITUDE!

HERE'S MY GRATITUDE!

SNAARL!

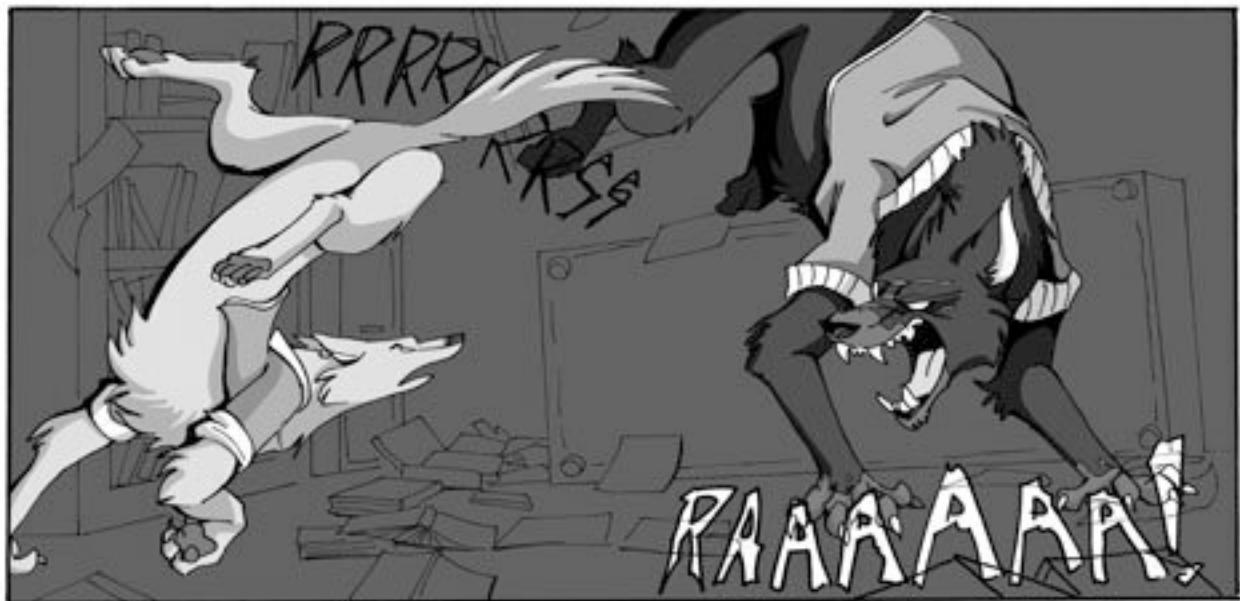
RAHHHHH!!

RRRRRRRR

RRRRRRRR







AND
HERE I WAS
GOING TO PUT IN A
GOOD WORD WITH THE
ALPHA FOR YOU!



YOU THINK
YOU CAN RUN, BUT
YOU WILL JOIN US!



SNAP!

IT'S ONLY
A MATTER OF TIME
BEFORE--

RARUUUGH!





AWOOOOOO!

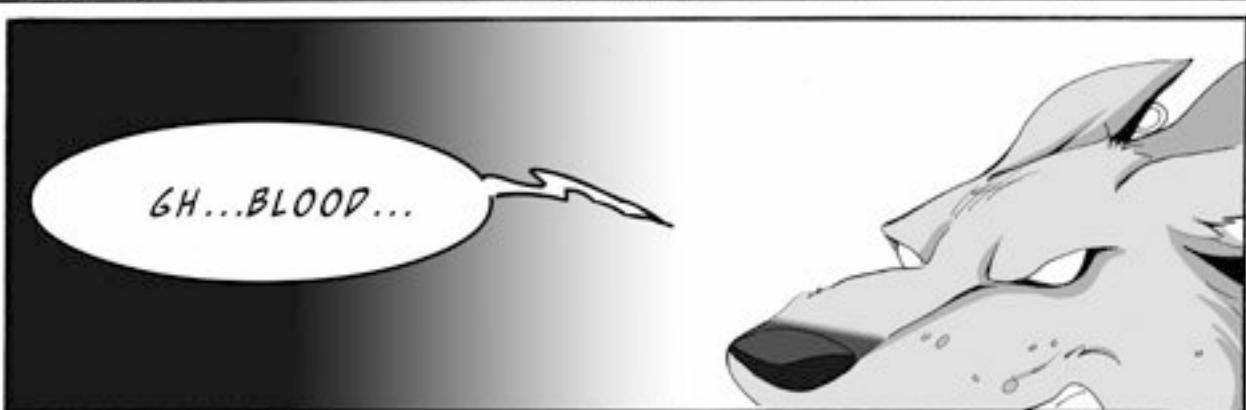
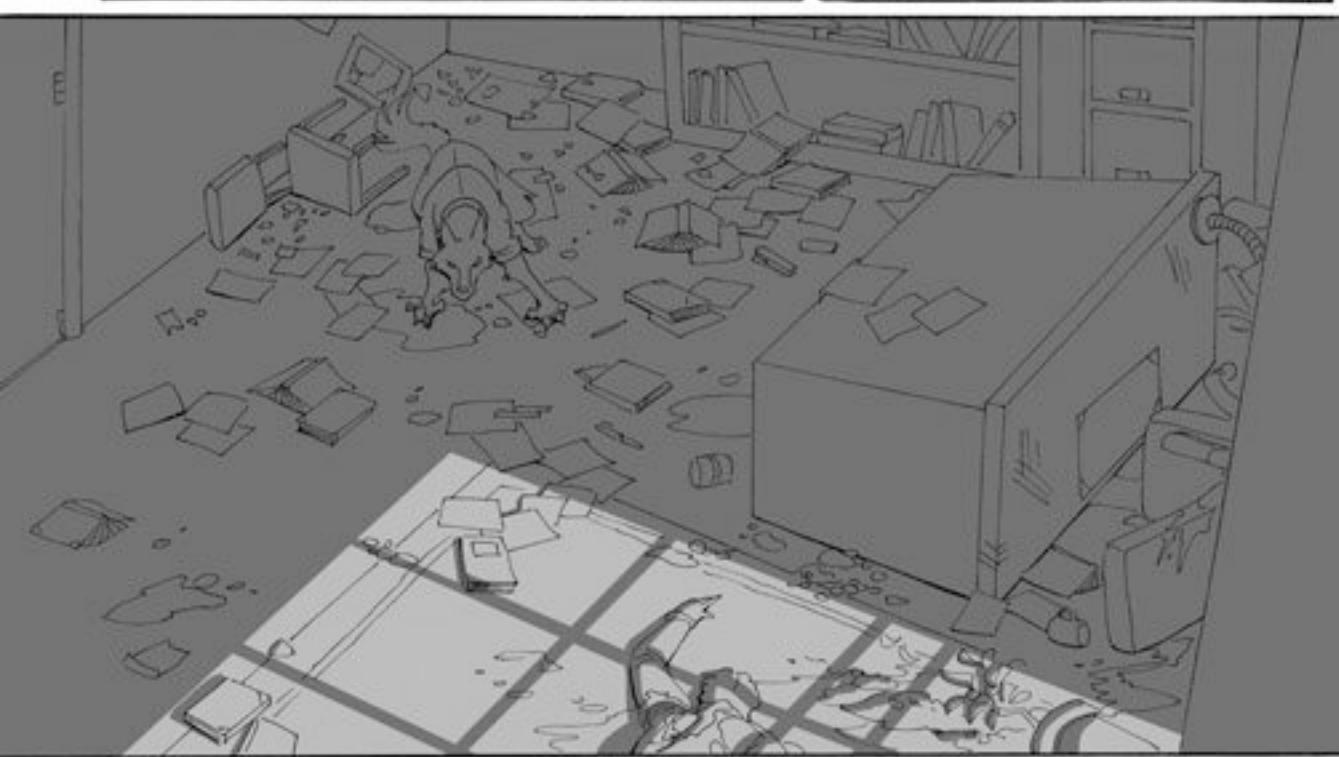


AWWWRRROOOOO!



YOU...
YOU
BITCH!





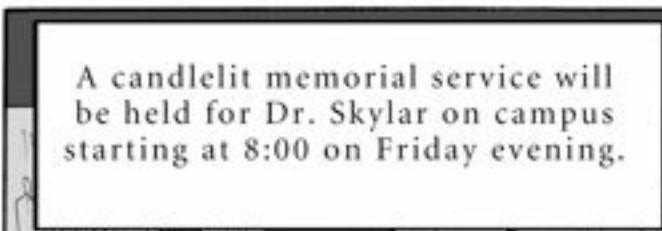
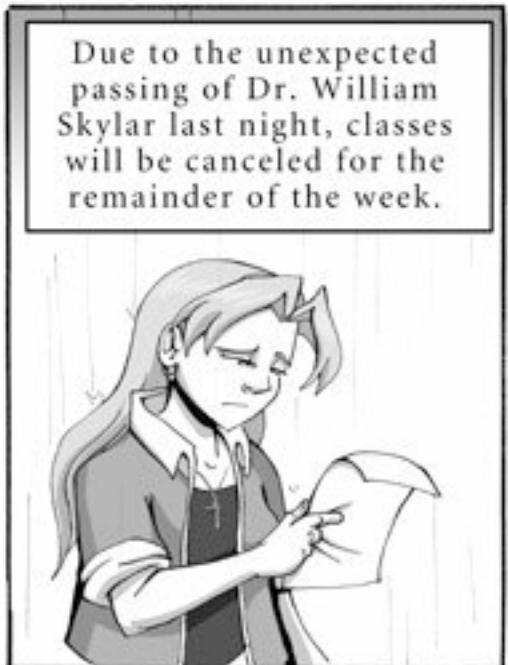




HEY
DAD, I
GOT YOUR
BURGER
WITH NO
ONIONS,
JUST
LIKE
YOU--



THE NEXT DAY...



We would like everyone to show their support for the Skylar family and Onesimus High School and attend.
God bless,
Principal White

HOW DID HE
DIE? THEY WON'T SAY?

MAYBE IT
WAS A HEART
ATTACK.

BUT WHY A
MEMORIAL SERVICE INSTEAD
OF A FUNERAL?

GUYS, GUYS!
MY DAD WORKS AT THE
MORGUE, AND HE SAID IT
WAS SOME KIND OF ANIMAL
MAULING!

NO WAY,
ARE YOU SERIOUS?

IT'S TRUE! MY
DAD'S A POLICEMAN;
SAID GALEN CALLED IN AN
ANIMAL ATTACK
LAST NIGHT.

BUT WHAT
KIND OF ANIMAL?
WE DON'T HAVE
BEARS HERE...

I DON'T KNOW,
HE JUST SAID IT
WAS REALLY
HORRIBLE...

WE KNOW WHAT
IT WAS.



I KNOW.
YOU TOLD ME LAST
NIGHT WHAT
HAPPENED.

DON'T YOU
BELIEVE ME?



I...I'VE LIVED
MY LIFE BELIEVING THAT IF
YOU REACH OUT TO PEOPLE, GOD
WILL SMILE ON YOU FOR IT. HE'LL
BLESS YOUR LIFE AND YOUR
WORK.

I DIDN'T
KILL HIM!

I KNOW
THAT.
I REACHED
OUT TO YOU
BECAUSE I
THOUGHT I
COULD CHANGE
A LIFE FOR THE
BETTER.

AND NOW MY
FATHER'S
DEAD.

I WAS
NAIVE.



I'M
SORRY...
I NEVER
MEANT...
I'M SO
SORRY...

GO
HOME,
KYLIE.

I'M SORRY...

GO HOME.
GO CHERISH YOUR
FAMILY.

W-WHEN
WILL I
SEE
YOU...

I DON'T KNOW
THAT YOU WILL.



ZOE SAID
IT WAS A WEREWOLF
THAT KILLED HIM?

WHAT?
NO WAY, THOSE
AREN'T REAL!

THEY SAID
THEY GOT IT
ON TAPE!

IT'S HER.
SHE'S REALLY A
WEREWOLF, AND
BECAUSE OF...

I HEARD
WOLVES
HOWLING
AROUND MY
HOUSE LAST
NIGHT, DO
YOU
THINK?...

A
WHOLE
PACK OF
WEREWOLVES...

THIS
IS
UNREAL...

ALWAYS
KNEW
SHE
ACTED
FUNNY...



THAT AFTERNOON...

WHY DIDN'T YOU
CALL ME AS SOON AS YOU
FOUND OUT SCHOOL WAS CANCELED?
I WOULD HAVE PICKED YOU UP...

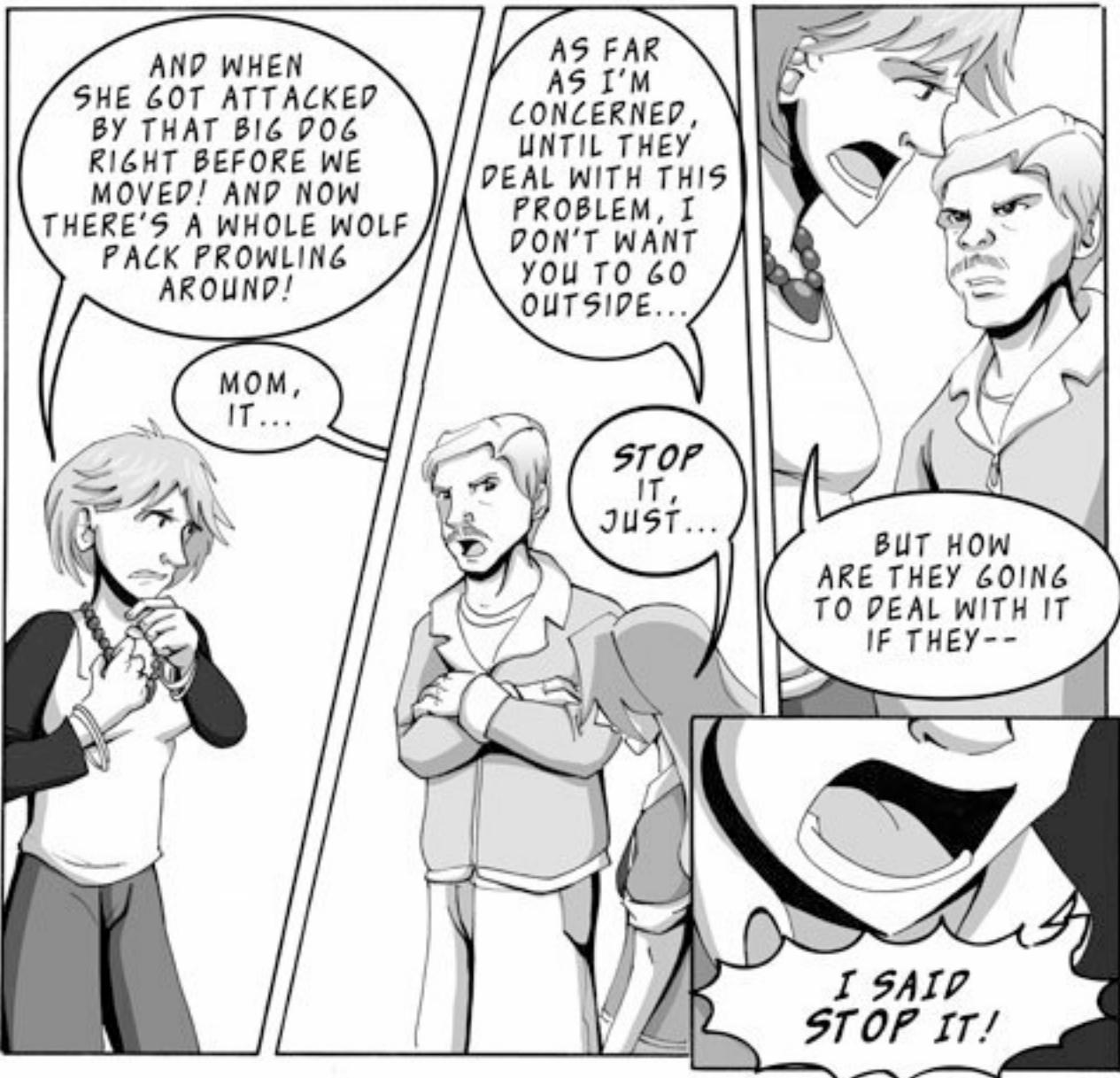
I DIDN'T
WANT TO BOTHER
YOU AT WORK.

KYLIE, THIS IS
VERY SERIOUS! YOU
SHOULD HAVE CALLED ME,
I WOULD'VE COME
RIGHT AWAY...

I JUST DIDN'T
WANT TO,
OKAY?

OH SWEETIE,
I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE
HOME! I HEARD ABOUT THE
WOLVES FROM MRS. PEREZ,
AND I COULDN'T STOP
THINKING THAT--

THE
WOLVES?!





NNGH!



...BECAUSE
I AM A WEREWOLF.



DAD, I'M
SORRY, I WANTED
TO...



EEEEEEEEK!

MOM!...

DON'T...DON'T
COME ANY CLOSER!

KYLIE!...

DAD,
PLEASE, I-



SMASH!

GET OUT!
GET OUT OF HERE!

YOU'RE
NOT...

CRASH!

KYLIE!









I WAS
STUPID...STUPID!

SSHRED

N-NEVER
MEANT TO BELONG
WITH...

RRRIP

'CAUSE I'M
JUST A MONSTER!...

HUFF
HUFF
HUFF





AND
IF I
CAN'T
LIVE
WITH
HUMANS
...

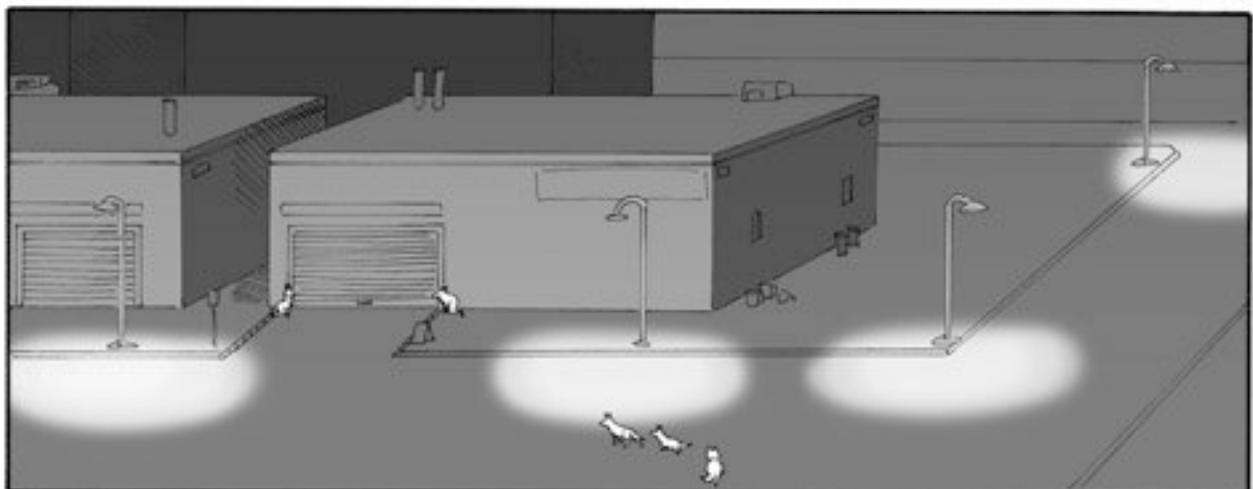
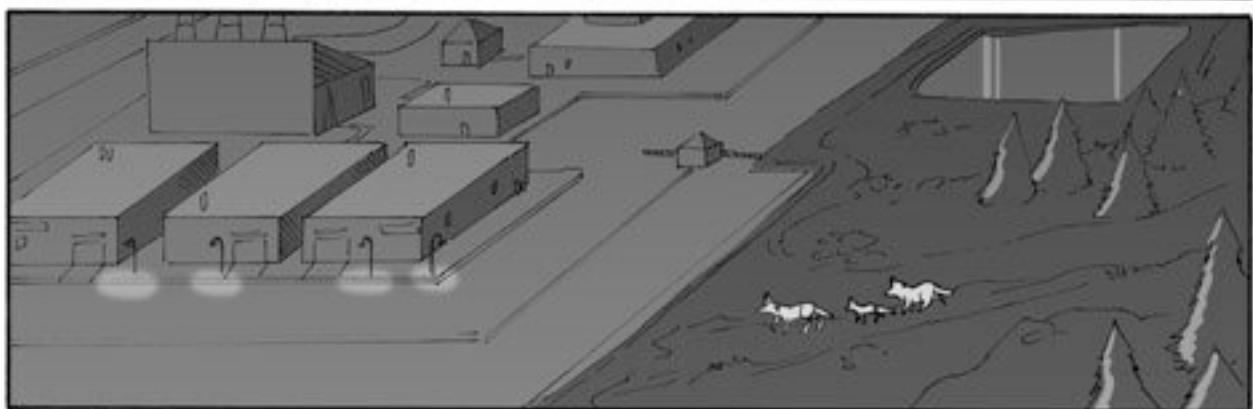
...THEN I'LL
LIVE WITH
WOLVES.







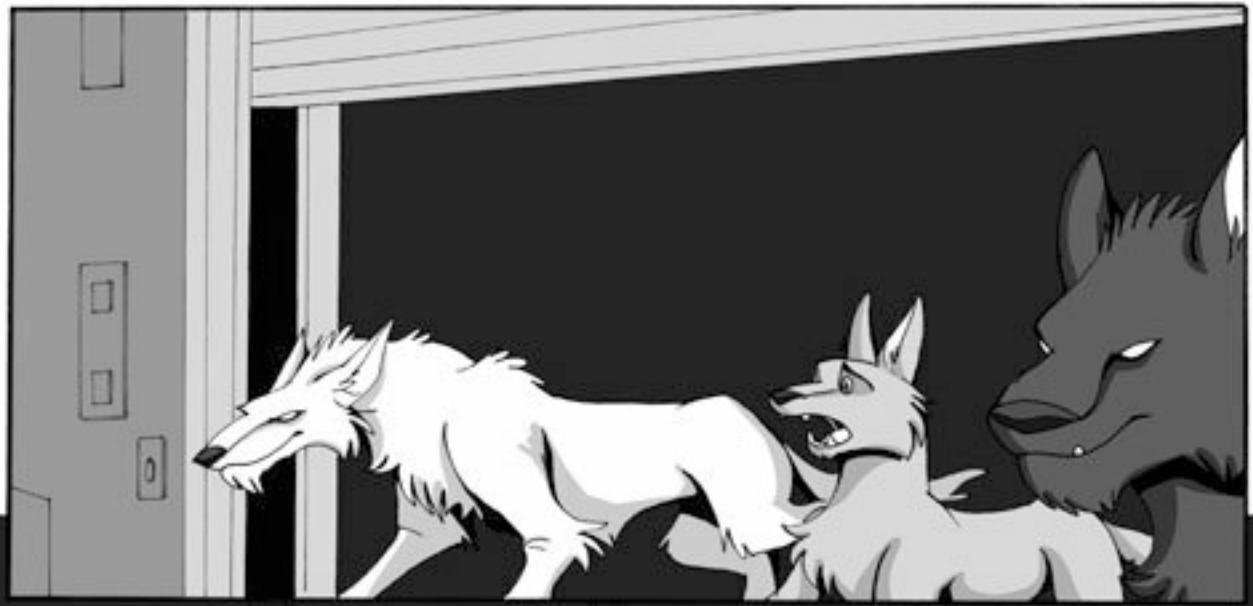






SILVER?...









SHE SMELLS
GOOD...



LOOK, I BET
SHE'S LONELY!...



BET SHE
NEEDS
COMPANY...



W-WHA...







A LONG TIME AGO, IN A COUNTRY THAT TODAY IS KNOWN AS GERMANY, THERE WAS A YOUNG MAN NAMED NOLAN.



HE HAD
POWER,
STRENGTH
AND
CUNNING...



SO HE
BECAME A
WEREWOLF,
THE MOST
POWERFUL,
MOST
CUNNING
OF ALL
MEN.

BUT HE WAS NOT A
TRUE MONSTER,
YOU SEE.



HE MARRIED A YOUNG
WOMAN, NAMED MARIE.
THE MOST BEAUTIFUL,
GENTLE WOMAN
IN THE WORLD.

HE HAD CHILDREN.
HE HAD LAND.
HE WAS HAPPY.



BUT THERE WERE SOME IN HIS VILLAGE WHO WERE JEALOUS AND SUPERSTITIOUS. THE HOUSE OF SCHULER.



THEY CONSPIRED, AND EVENTUALLY CAUGHT NOLAN IN THE ACT OF TRANSFORMING INTO A WOLF.

THEY CALLED TO RID THEIR VILLAGE OF, EVIL IN GOD'S EYES. SO THEY DRAGGED HIM AND HIS FAMILY OUT TO THE TOWN SQUARE TO BE BURNED AT THE STAKE.



NOLAN, HE WAS CUNNING, AND MANAGED TO TRANSFORM INTO A WOLF AND GET AWAY. BUT HIS WIFE, AND HIS TWO SMALL BOYS... THEY PAID FOR HIS SINS.



HE WATCHED THEM BURN FROM THE HILLS.
HE STILL HEARS THEIR SCREAMS.



SINCE THAT VERY DAY, NOLAN VOWED THAT HE WOULD TAKE THE LIFE OF THE GOOD CHRISTIANS WHO TOOK AWAY HIS LIFE.

HE VOWED HE WOULD NOT REST UNTIL EVERY SCHULER ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH, AND ALL WHO STOOD WITH THEM AND THEIR GOD, WOULD BE DEVoured.



NOLAN ULRICH...



YOU SEE NOW, DO YOU NOT? I HAVE SPENT MANY LONG CENTURIES TRACKING DOWN THE SCHULERS, RIGHT INTO WHEN THEY BECAME THE SKYLARS.

AND ON FRIDAY NIGHT OF THIS WEEK, I WILL AT LAST PROVE THAT THEIR GOD IS NOTHING MORE THAN A PETTY EXCUSE FOR STRENGTH. USELESS AGAINST TRUE ENDURANCE.



IT'S JUST AS
WELL. WHAT HARM HAVE
YOU EVER DONE TO A
LIVING BEING?

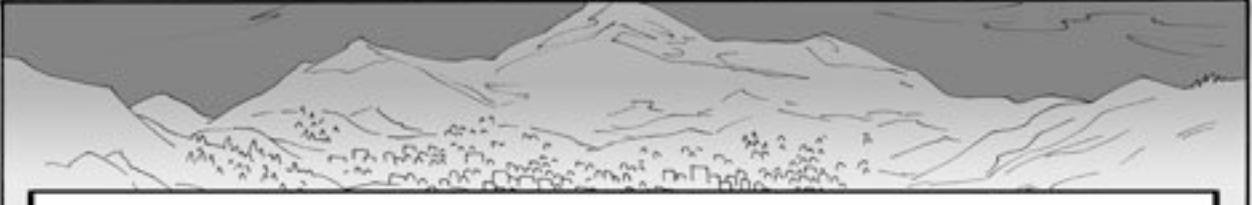
YOU DO NOT
DESERVE THEIR SCORN.
HERE, YOU WILL BE SAFE,
AND APPRECIATED!

IN FACT, I
WILL PERSONALLY SEE
TO IT THAT YOU ARE
TREATED WITH RESPECT
FROM ALL OF MY
WOLVES.

IT IS, OF COURSE,
YOUR DECISION. YOU
CAN GO BACK TO THOSE
GOD-FEARING "FRIENDS"
OF YOURS...

...OR YOU
CAN STAY HERE
WITH YOUR
PACK.





--CITIZENS HAVE REPORTED AT LEAST TWO MORE SIGHTINGS OF WILD WOLVES IN THE AREA. POLICE ARE WORKING WITH WILDLIFE RANGERS TO FIND THE REASON BEHIND THE SUDDEN AGGRESSION IN THE LOCAL WILDLIFE AND KEEP THE CITY SAFE.--



--IN THE MEANWHILE, CITIZENS ARE ENCOURAGED TO STAY INDOORS AT NIGHT. IF YOU SEE A WILD WOLF, DO NOT APPROACH IT, BUT CALL THE POLICE IMMEDIATELY.--



--IN OTHER NEWS, POLICE ALSO REPORT THREE MISSING PERSONS CASES WITHIN THE LAST WEEK.--



--CHIEF DONOVAN INSISTS THERE IS AS OF YET NO CONNECTION BETWEEN THE MISSING PERSONS AND THE WOLF ATTACK LAST WEEK.



ONESIMUS
HIGH
SCHOOL

MEMORIAL
SERVICE

FRIDAY
800 PM

TONIGHT, MY PACK,
OUR LONG CENTURIES OF WORK
FINALLY COME TO A
CONCLUSION!



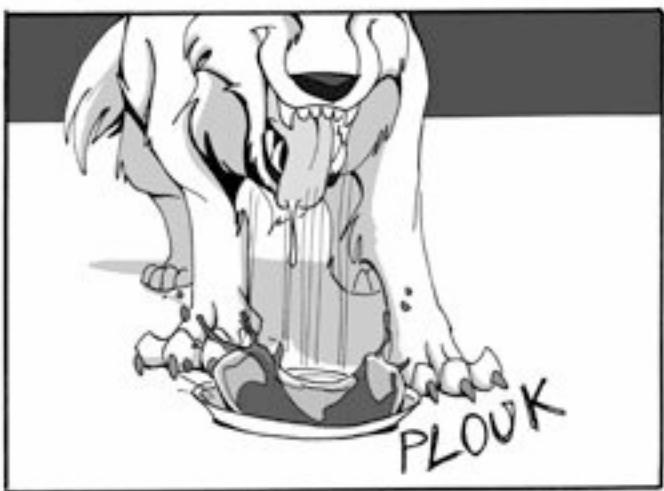
APPROACH,
KYLIE
LARLIATH.



YOU HAVE BEEN
WITH US FOR SEVERAL
DAYS NOW, KYLIE.
AND YOU HAVE ALL THE STRENGTH,
SPEED AND CUNNING OF A WOLF.
BUT THERE IS STILL ONE
THING YOU LACK.

THE ETERNITY
OF THE WOLF.





IT SMELLS
LIKE...

EAT THE FLESH,
AND YOU WILL GAIN IMMORTALITY.
YOU WILL LIVE FOREVER WITH
YOUR PACK, NEVER AGING,
NEVER WANTING FOR ANYTHING...

BUT WHO
WAS...I...
I JUST...

THIS HUMAN
DOES NOT MATTER!
ALL THAT MATTERS NOW
IS YOU! TASTE IT!

TASTE IT.



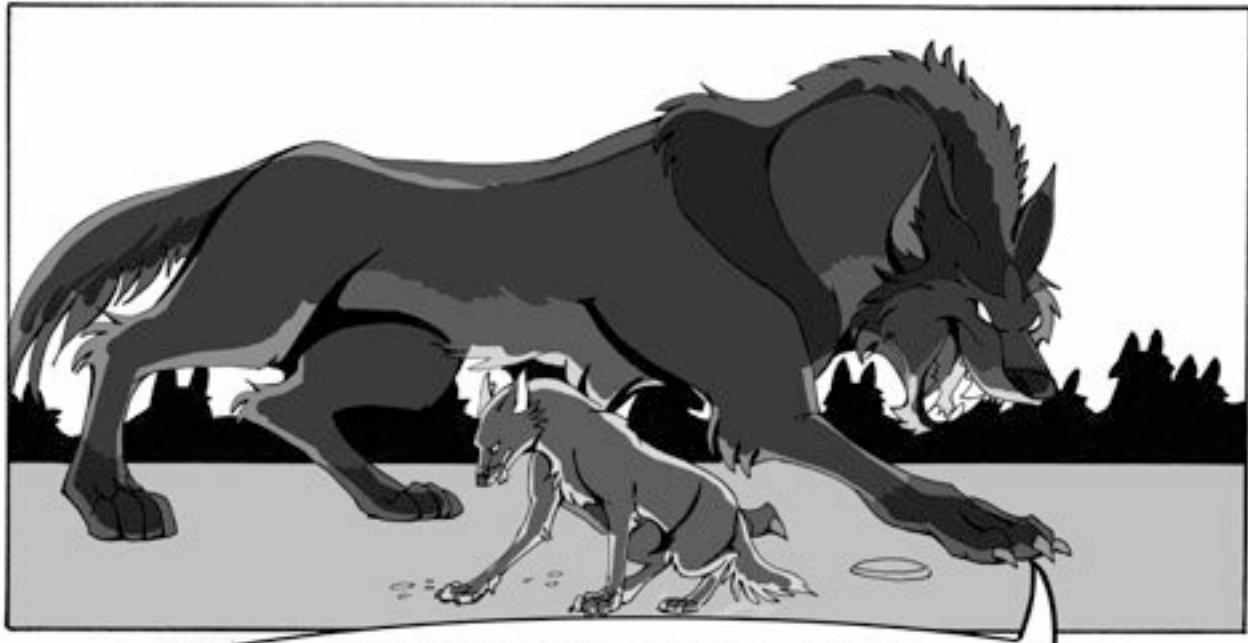


YES...NOW AT
LAST, YOU KNOW THE JOY
OF ULTIMATE POWER. YOU WILL
LIVE FOREVER, AS A MEMBER
OF MY PACK!



WHAT YOU HAVE TASTED
TONIGHT, YOU SHALL HAVE EVEN **MORE** OF!
HUNDREDS OF FRESH, YOUNG HUMANS, FULL
OF SWEET MEAT FOR YOU TO CONSUME!



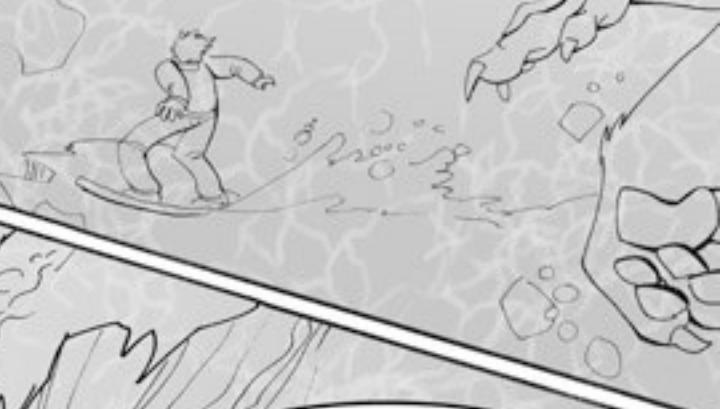


JUST THINK OF IT, LITTLE KYLIE!
REMEMBER HOW POORLY YOU WERE TREATED AT YOUR
SCHOOL? REMEMBER HOW THOSE RICH, SPOILED CHRISTIANS
TORTURED YOU?

THINK OF HOW
SWEET IT WILL TASTE
WHEN YOU FINALLY
PAY THEM BACK!

THINK OF HOW IT
WILL FEEL TO SINK YOUR
TEETH INTO THEIR WARM
THROATS AND TEAR THEM
APART...

REMEMBER ALL THEY
DID TO YOU...



REMEMBER...





NO.





YOU SPEAK TO ME
ABOUT "RIGHT," WHEN THE
BLOOD IS STILL FRESH ON YOUR
LIPS? YOU ARE NOW CURSED!
NOTHING IS "RIGHT"
FOR YOU!



EVEN IF IT
ISN'T, I STILL
WON'T! I CAN
STILL DECIDE
FOR MYSELF
WHAT
I DO!



WHAT A WASTE
OF POTENTIAL
AND BEAUTY.
THEN YOU SHALL
STAY BEHIND
UNTIL OUR FEAST
TONIGHT IS
DONE.



NO.



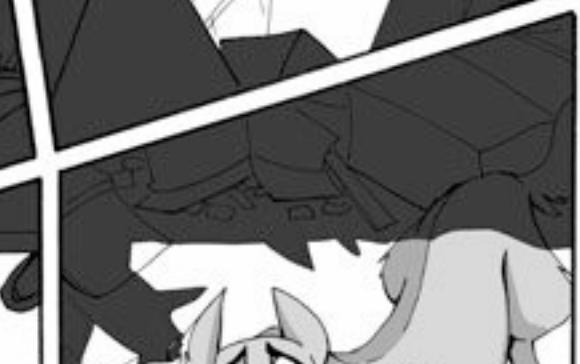
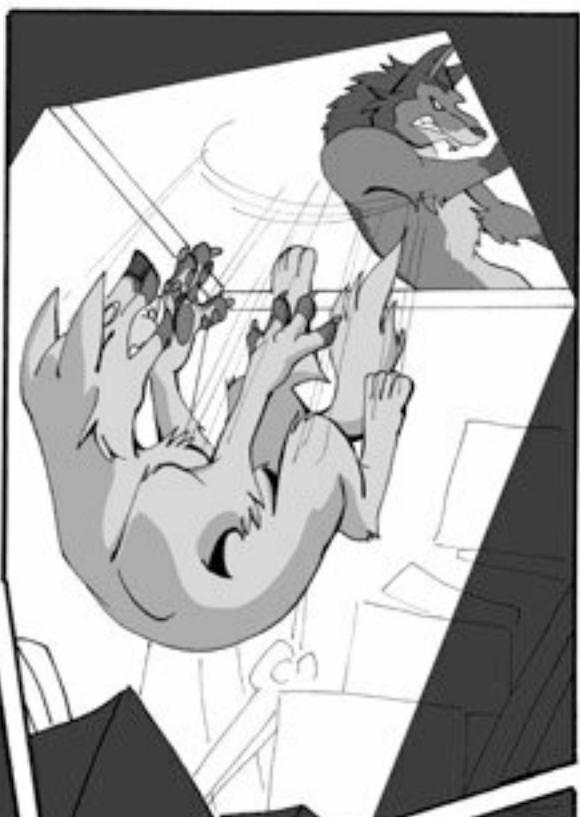
YOU CHANGED
YOUR MIND?



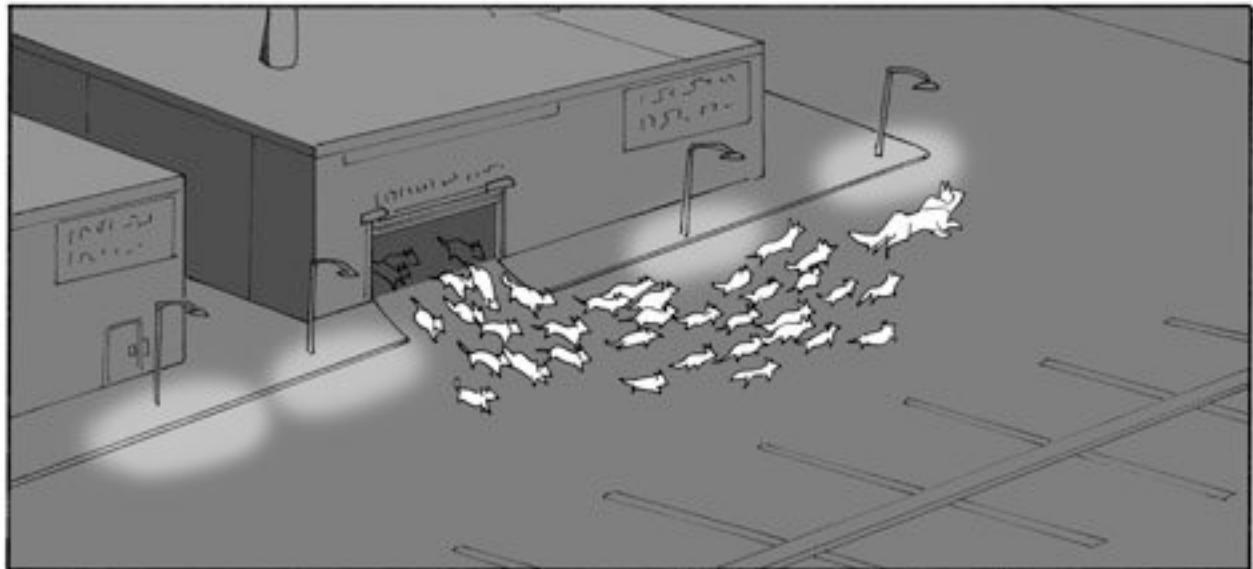
NO, I WON'T
LET YOU HURT
MY FRIENDS!











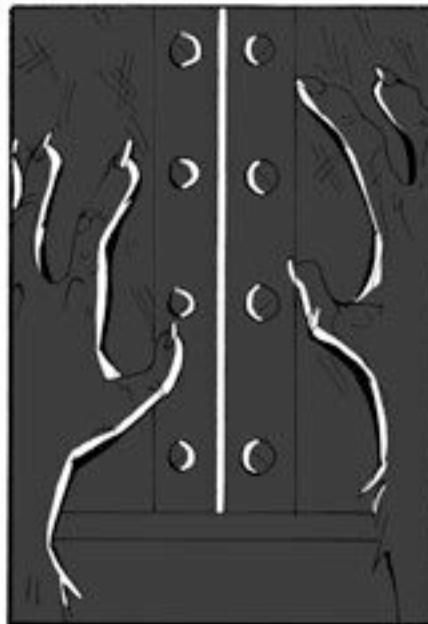
CLANG

CLANG

CLANG

NO...
YOU CAN'T!
NO...

MOM...DAD...
GALEN...





GOD...I...I DON'T KNOW
IF YOU'RE THERE ANYMORE. I'M
CURSED, AND...AND A MONSTER, SO
YOU PROBABLY WON'T EVEN LISTEN. BUT...
THERE'S PEOPLE I CARE ABOUT, AND
THEY DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG,
AND THEY NEED HELP!

SO PLEASE...PLEASE,
I NEED TO HELP THEM!
I DON'T CARE WHAT HAPPENS
TO ME ANYMORE...JUST
PLEASE DON'T LET THEM
GET HURT!

PLEASE...
PLEASE...

BAM!

BAM! AAAAH!

BAM!

SKRITCH
SKRITCH!

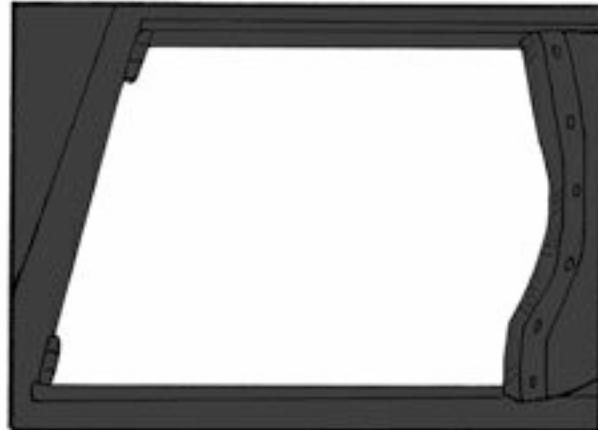
SKRITCH!

SKRITCH!

CRRRK

SKEEK!





THERE ISN'T
MUCH TIME. I MUST TAKE
YOU TO THE HIGH SCHOOL.

WAIT!
GAWAIN...HOW
DID YOU FIND ME
HERE? HOW DID YOU
KNOW I'D BE
HERE?

I'VE BEEN
WATCHING YOU FOR
SOME TIME.

WHAT...
ARE YOU?
YOU'RE NOT...YOU'RE
NOT GALEN'S
BROTHER.

BUT...GALEN
SAID HE THOUGHT HIS
BROTHER DIED.

I AM.

I DID.

WAIT!
YOU'RE...
LIKE AN
ANGEL?

NO...MORE
LIKE A RESTLESS
SPIRIT.

A BIT OF A
SHAPESHIFTER
IN MY OWN RIGHT,
YOU COULD SAY.

BUT...YOU
CAN'T BE! YOU'RE ALL
GROWN UP!

SOULS
CAN AGE,
TOO.

COME.

WAIT!
I MEAN,
YOU'RE
A...
A
GHOST...

SOUL
MADE
MANIFEST.
IT'S A
LITTLE MORE
COMPLICATED
THAN
'GHOST'.

SO WHY ARE
YOU FOLLOWING ME?
WHY AREN'T YOU HAUNTING
...I MEAN WATCHING GALEN?
IF YOU WERE HIS OLDER
BROTHER.

BECAUSE YOU ARE
THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN
SAVE HIM NOW.

ME?!

YES.

WHY?

THERE WERE
CONDITIONS FOR ME TO
RETURN TO EARTH...DIFFICULT
ONES. I CANNOT DIRECTLY
AFFECT MY FAMILY. I CANNOT
CONTACT THEM. AND I CANNOT
HARM THE ALPHA WOLF...
NOLAN ULRICH, THE HEAD
OF THIS PACK.

MY JOURNEY
WAS LONG. I WAS
TOLD TO LOOK FOR
A WOLF WITH WINGS,
BEARING LUNARGYROS'S
...THE SILVER OF
THE MOON.



AND
IT IS YOU.
NOLAN
ULRICH
IS OUT FOR
GALEN'S
BLOOD.
ONLY
YOU CAN
STOP
HIM.

I DON'T
UNDERSTAND HOW ONLY
I CAN!



NOLAN IS
AN ALPHA WOLF, CREATED
BY SORCERY. ALL OF THE WOLVES
HE SIRES ARE UNDER HIS
COMMAND. THEY CANNOT
HARM HIM.

BUT YOU
WERE NOT SIRED BY HIM.
YOU WERE SIRED BY ONE OF
HIS BETAS, A WEAK-WILLED
WOLF WITH NO CONTROL
OVER YOU.

YOU HAVE
ALWAYS BEEN CAPABLE OF
CHOOSING WHETHER TO DO
RIGHT OR WRONG... WHETHER AS A
HUMAN OR A WOLF, WHETHER YOU
ARE LUCID OR BLINDED BY BLOOD-
LUST. YOU PROVED THAT
TONIGHT.

YOU ARE CAPABLE
OF HURTING THE ALPHA
WOLF, AND HE KNOWS
THIS.



HE FEARS
IT...FEARS YOUR
POWER MORE THAN
ANY OTHER HUMAN ON
THIS PLANET. THAT'S WHY
HE'S ACCEPTED YOU INTO
HIS PACK...TO KEEP YOU
UNDER HIS WATCH.
IF YOU DESTROY HIM,
YOU WILL DESTROY
HIS ENTIRE
PACK.



DES...BUT
I CAN'T! HE'S TOO
STRONG! HE'D...



IF YOU DON'T,
GALEN WILL DIE, AND
NOLAN'S ULTIMATE GOAL
WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED.
IS THAT WHAT YOU
WANT?



NO.



THEN YOU
MUST STOP
NOLAN.

WHAT ABOUT THE
REST OF THE PACK? I CAN'T
HANDLE ALL OF THEM!

THAT IS
WHERE I CAN
HELP YOU.

OKAY.

THEN WE
HAVEN'T
MUCH
TIME.

AAAAAHHHH!!

WHY...

YOU HAVE MADE
BAD CHOICES AS WELL,
AND YOU MUST LIVE
WITH THEM.

IF I'M
CURSED NOW...I
GUESS THERE REALLY IS
NO HOPE FOR ME,
IS THERE?



THERE IS
ALWAYS HOPE.
BUT SEEKING IT OUT
WILL BE DIFFICULT.

I GUESS...
IT WILL JUST HAVE
TO BE DIFFICULT.

VERY WELL.

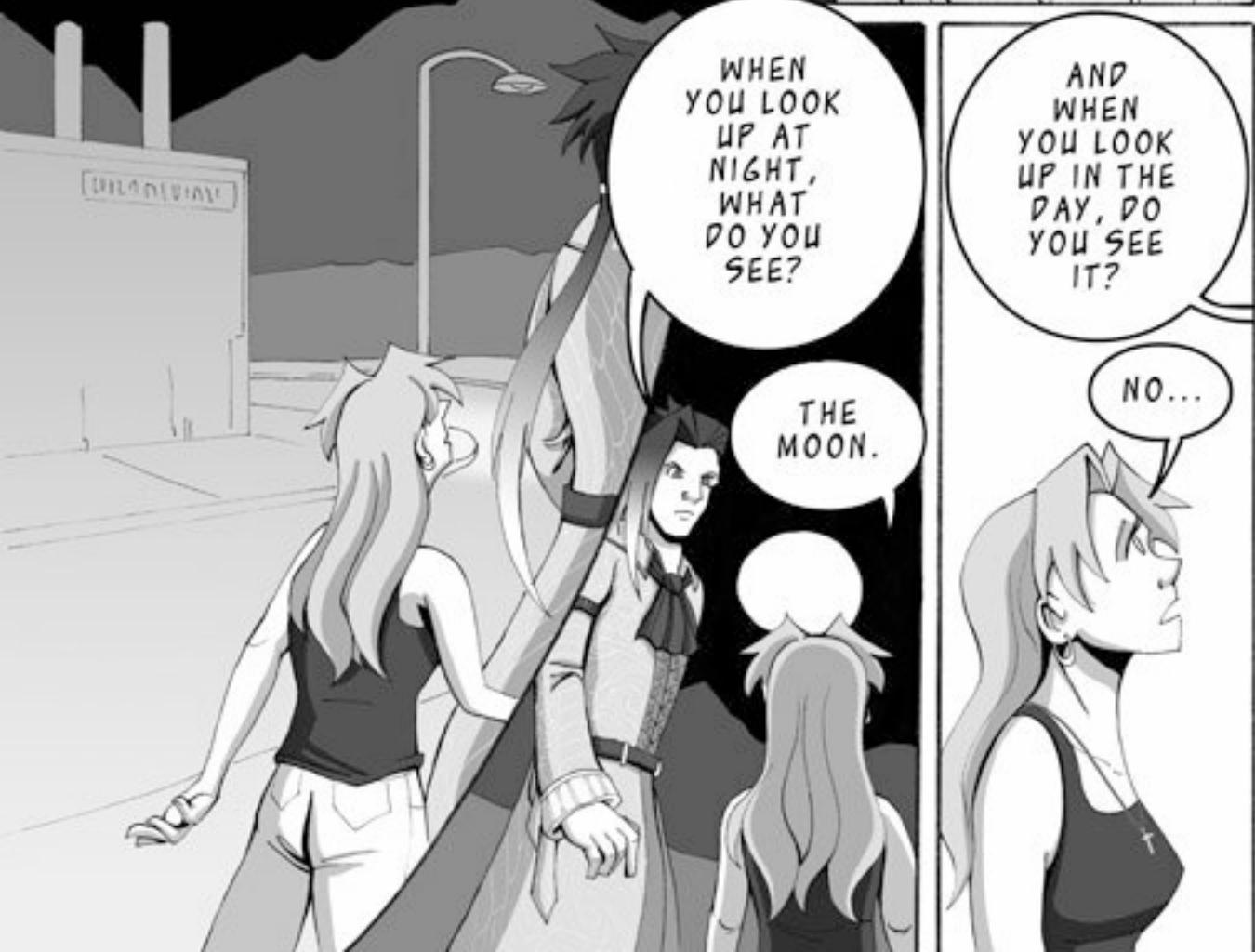


WHEN
YOU LOOK
UP AT
NIGHT,
WHAT
DO YOU
SEE?

AND
WHEN
YOU LOOK
UP IN THE
DAY, DO
YOU SEE
IT?

THE
MOON.

NO...



BUT IT IS
STILL THERE DURING
THE DAY. IT DOES NOT
VANISH. BUT IT NO MORE
CONTROLS YOUR FORM AT
NIGHT THAN IT DOES
DURING THE DAY. NOLAN'S
WOLVES HAVE FORGOTTEN
THIS...DON'T FORGET
IT.

...OKAY...



NOLAN'S PACK
WILL BE AT THE SCHOOL
IN FIFTEEN MINUTES.

BUT...THAT'S
ALL THE WAY ACROSS
TOWN! WE'LL NEVER
GET THERE IN TIME!





CLIMB ONTO
MY SHOULDERS...I'LL
GET US THERE
FASTESt.

GOT A
GOOD GRIP?

I THINK SO.

HOLD ON
TIGHT.







THAT NIGHT...



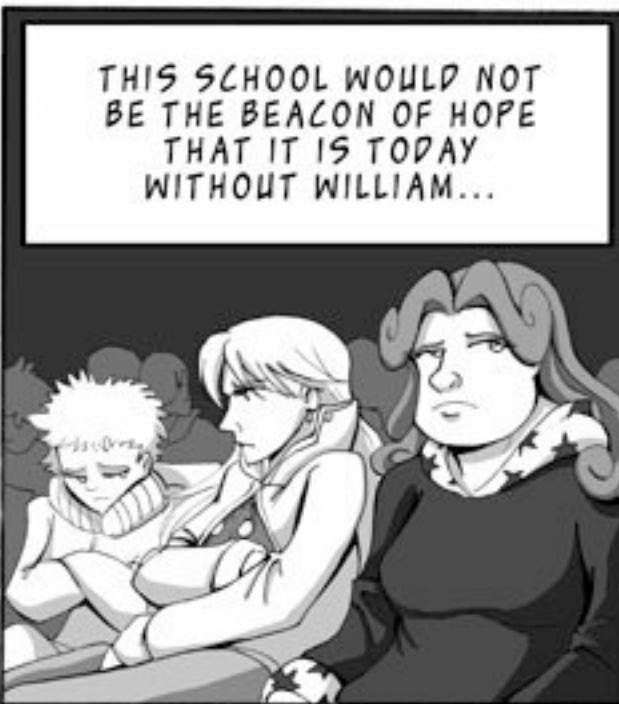
AND SO, WE
HONOR DR. WILLIAM
SKYLAR HERE TONIGHT...A MAN
OF PRINCIPLE, OF GODLINESS,
AND OF KINDNESS.



ONE ONLY NEED LOOK AROUND
TO SEE HOW MANY LIVES HE
HAS TOUCHED, AND WILL
CONTINUE TO TOUCH, EVEN IN
YEARS TO COME.

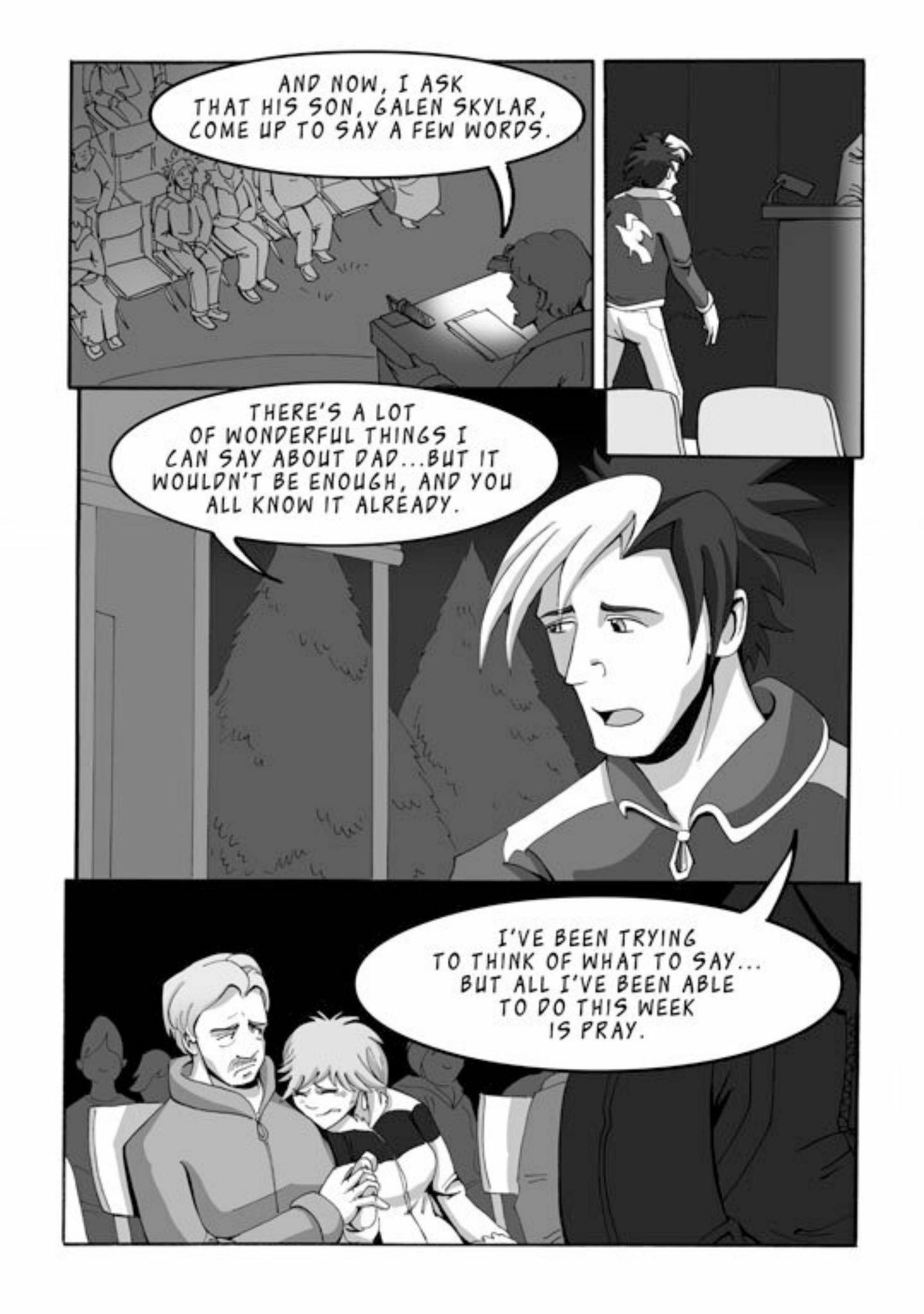


THIS SCHOOL WOULD NOT
BE THE BEACON OF HOPE
THAT IT IS TODAY
WITHOUT WILLIAM...



...AND I KNOW I CAN SAY
FOR CERTAIN THAT GOD HAS
WELCOMED HOME ONE
OF HIS OWN.





AND NOW, I ASK
THAT HIS SON, GALEN SKYLAR,
COME UP TO SAY A FEW WORDS.

THERE'S A LOT
OF WONDERFUL THINGS I
CAN SAY ABOUT DAD...BUT IT
WOULDN'T BE ENOUGH, AND YOU
ALL KNOW IT ALREADY.

I'VE BEEN TRYING
TO THINK OF WHAT TO SAY...
BUT ALL I'VE BEEN ABLE
TO DO THIS WEEK
IS PRAY.



I'VE BEEN
PRAYING FOR
STRENGTH...

I'VE BEEN
PRAYING FOR
UNDERSTANDING...

BUT MOSTLY...
I'VE BEEN PRAYING
FOR A FRIEND.



KYLIE...WHAT?...

JUST TRUST ME!
EVERYONE HAS TO GET OUT
OF HERE, RIGHT NOW!
THE WOLVES--

EEEEE EKK!





THEY'RE
GONNA KILL
EVERYONE...
I HAD TO
STOP
THEM!





SKEEEE-EAAAAK!





NOW GET
OUT OF HERE!

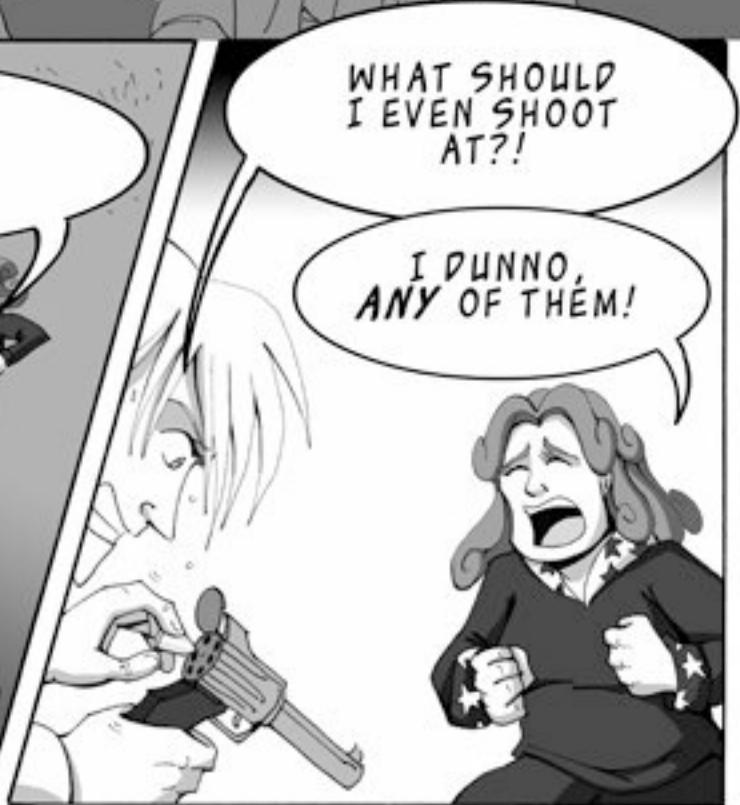
SHE'S RIGHT!
EVERYONE, HEAD
TOWARDS THE BACK
EXIT!

WHAT ARE YOU
WAITING FOR?!
KILL IT!
KILL THEM ALL!

















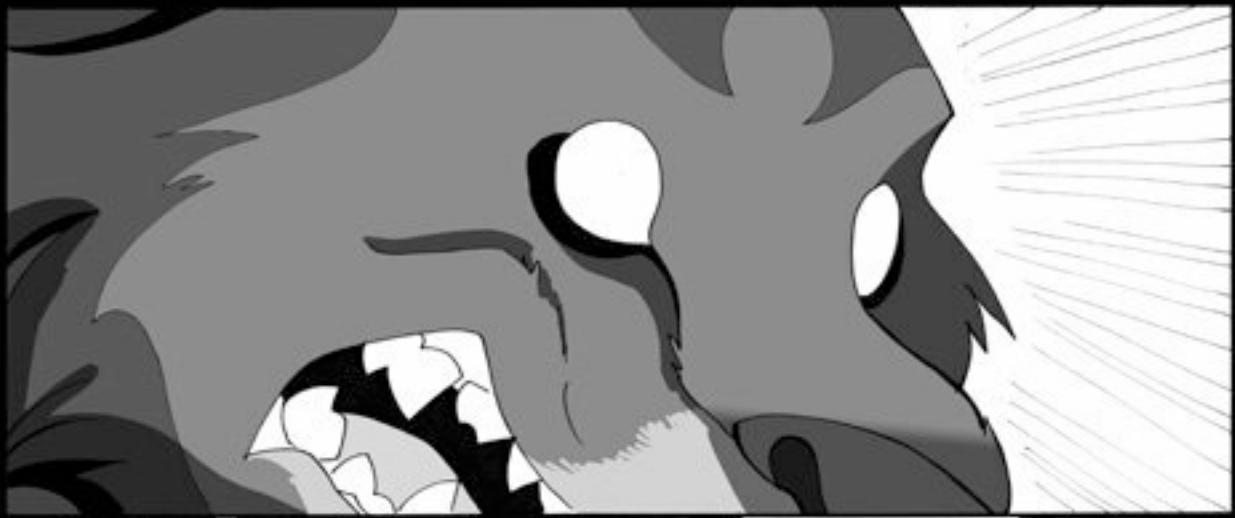


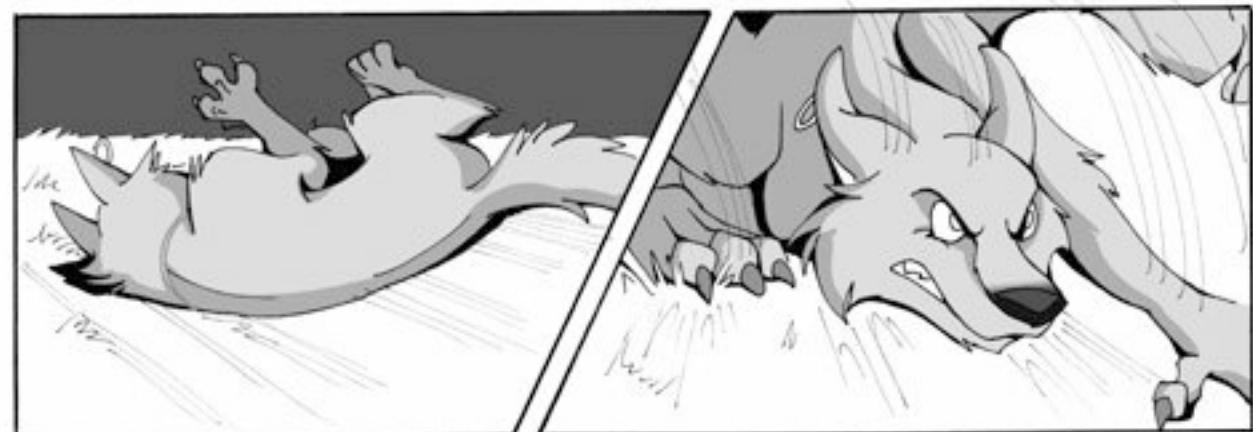
NO...
GALEN, GET
UP!...













AWOOOO!





YOU'RE A TRAITOR
TO YOUR OWN KIND!
A FILTHY LITTLE
TRAITOR!

I TOLD YOU
I'D STOP YOU!

YOUR
FRIEND
IS DEAD,
YOU
LITTLE
BITCH!
YOU
FAILED!

NO...YOU HAVE!







SNAP!



IF I CAN'T HAVE
HIS BLOOD...

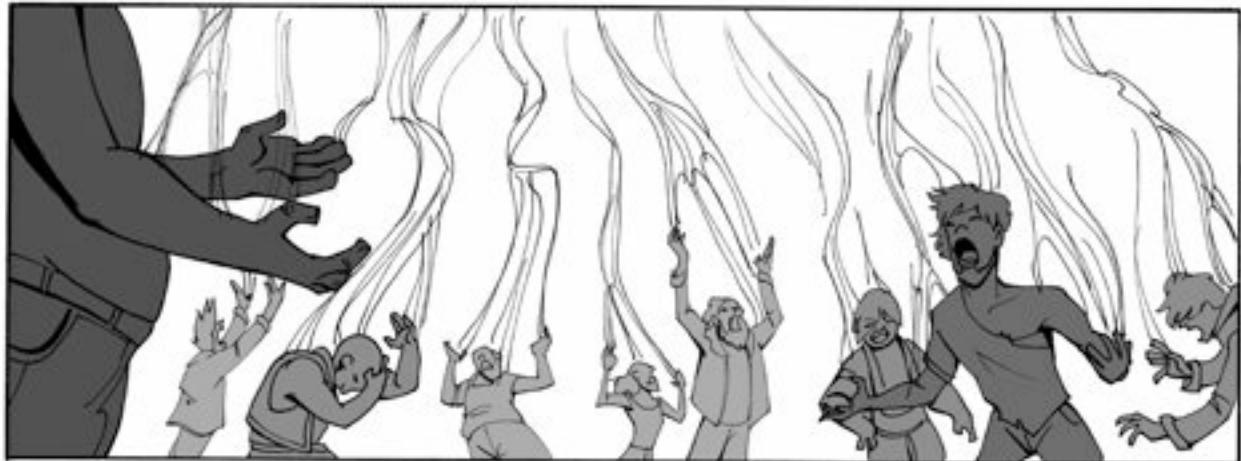
I'LL HAVE YOURS!

















KYLIE!

I'M SORRY...



I'M SORRY...
I'M S-SORRY...

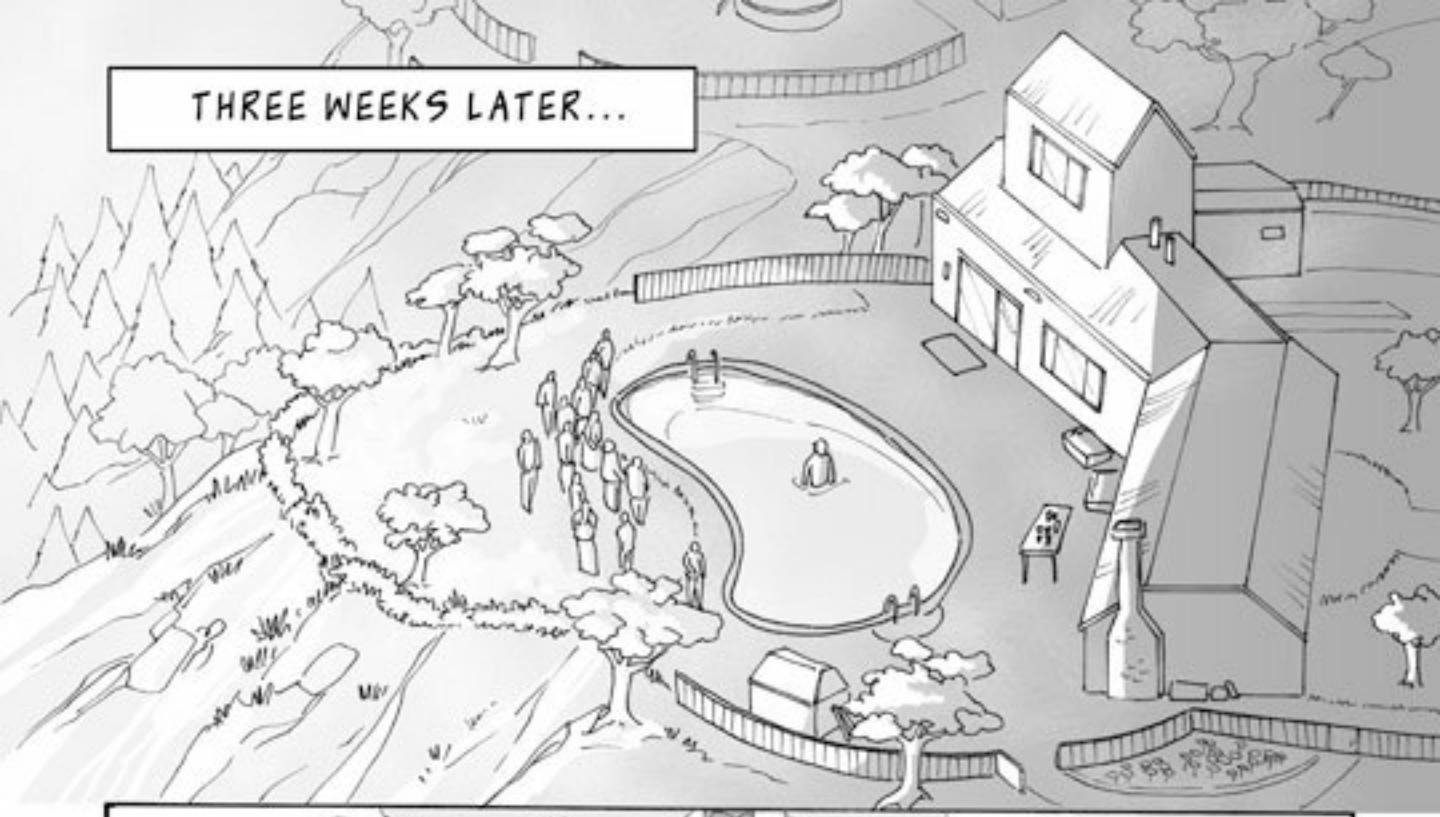
SHHH, BABY,
IT'LL BE OKAY...
IT'S OKAY!...





IT'LL BE OKAY.

THREE WEEKS LATER...



I'M PROUD
OF YOU, SWEETHEART.

THANKS,
DAD.



DO YOU KNOW WHY
YOU'RE HERE, KYLIE LARLIATH?

YES.



YOU'VE DONE
WRONG...BUT NO MATTER WHO
YOU ARE OR WHAT YOU'VE DONE,
YOU HAVE HOPE. YOU CAN DO
WHAT'S RIGHT.

I'M READY.



THEN I BAPTIZE
YOU IN THE NAME OF THE
FATHER, THE SON, AND
THE HOLY SPIRIT.



A black and white illustration of a werewolf. The werewolf is depicted in a dynamic, crouching pose, surrounded by intense flames that engulf its lower body and tail. It has a thick, shaggy coat of hair. On its chest, it wears a simple leather collar with a metal cross pendant. The background is a light gray.

"TO BREAK THE CURSE
OF IMMORTALITY, A
WEREWOLF MUST PURIFY
THEMSELVES BEFORE
THE NEXT FULL MOON..."

"...AND OBSTAIN FROM HUMAN
FLESH AND BLOOD FOR AT
LEAST NINE YEARS.
THEY MUST REMAIN ABSTINENT
TO PREVENT THE CURSE
FROM RETURNING."





LIKE A
NEW WOLF!





The End